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## READER OPINION

### Readers Look at "Look"

Sirs:

Reader response to "Report on Hospitals" was immediate and overwhelming. The article pulled more reader mail than any other article in *Look's* 23 years of publication.

Few of the letters were casual; nearly all were long and vehemently

for or against the article. Many of the writers (both pro and con) said that this was the first time they had written a "letter to the editor." Obviously, the article aroused strong personal feelings.

The letters split almost evenly for and against. As to be expected, about 90 per cent of the "pros" were from the general public: either former pa-

tients or relatives of patients. Similarly, about 90 per cent of the "cons" were from professional personnel: physicians, hospital administrators, nurses and aides. Such a split highlights your thought concerning the different image of hospitals held by the profession and the public. Perhaps it will be more revealing to examine some of the minority responses — a few of the letters from some of the profession who said that the article was justified, and a few from the public who thought it was not.

Twelve administrators not only applauded the article but also requested reprints for distribution to their hospital staffs. Another administrator wrote in to say that he was providing each patient in the hospital with a copy of the *Look* article requesting that it be read and then asking each patient to write down his feelings about the kind of care he was getting in his hospital.

Among the physicians who favored the article several pointed out that a significant number of physicians strongly favor hospital reforms. Several suggested other hospital abuses that should be corrected and were not covered in the article. One medical man said that if he had read the article six months previously he would have condemned the story but since he recently had spent several months in a hospital as a patient himself he thoroughly agreed with the article. Approving letters were also received from a number of psychiatrists who pointed out that their views on the emotional needs of a patient had long been ignored by medical and hospital personnel. One, a director of a well known center for residency training in psychiatry, asked permission to reprint the article for distribution to his residents.

Although the majority of letters from nurses were bitterly opposed to the article, a significant number said that the article was justified. These dissenting "pros" included student nurses as well as graduates with many years of experience. Mainly they blamed the influx of poorly trained aides taking over many of the nursing duties.

Although 90 per cent of the letters from the general public applauded the article there were some who felt that the article was unjustified and unfair to hospitals. These individuals wrote at length about the wonderful care they had received when they were hospitalized. Each recounted his ex-



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perience describing in detail the kindness and attention he received. It is significant that in each of these letters extolling hospitals, the writer referred to the kindness of one individual — a physician, nurse or attendant. None referred to the hospital's physical equipment; opinions seemed to be equated to a human factor.

Several items in the article drew the most heated replies. One was the opening statement about hospitals being unfit places in which to be sick. Although three national opinion surveys previously had published a similar conclusion, it received the most critical comments from the professional group who labeled it inflammatory and sensational. The next most frequent criticism from the professional audience was the charge that the *Look* article indicted thousands of hospitals on the basis of an investigation conducted at only eight California institutions. Most of the criticism on this point came from the more sophisticated members of the professional group — hospital administrators — who, perhaps, were unaware that the conclusions of the limited investigation are supported by other surveys and studies in the scientific literature.

The third most frequent cause for criticism was the statement in the article that hospitals are run for the convenience of the staff and not for the benefit of the patient. The physicians who criticized this claimed that hospitals were not run for their convenience because they had to adhere to rigid rules and regulations such as inconvenient operating schedules. They pointed out that hospital activities were organized primarily to meet the convenience of traditional nursing schedules. The nurses who criticized this point agreed that hospitals were run for the convenience of doctors but not nurses. They claimed that the nurses were "low men on the totem pole" in the hospital caste system.

Some of the critical letters from the profession were strongly worded and personal. A number of them hoped that in the near future I would get ill and have to be hospitalized. In that event they hoped I would eat my words page by page. A few warned me not to get ill and seek treatment in a hospital. (I won't if I can help it.)

Although reader response to "Report on Hospitals" was interesting and stimulating, it has no scientific value in judging the worthiness of the article. It does indicate that the public, as well

as the profession, has strong emotional feelings about hospitals. Personally, all I learned from the response is that to some of my readers I am a hero — "a courageous reporter who writes the truth"; to others I am a villain — "an irresponsible reporter writing in the tradition of yellow journalism." It is quite confusing and difficult to figure out. All I can do is to continue as I have in the past: report the facts as I find them and let the public write my epitaph as it will.

Roland H. Berg  
Medical Editor

*Look Magazine*  
New York

Sirs:

The most amazing part of Dr. Robert Myers' article ("A Surgeon Looks at *Look*") in the March 1959 issue of *The MODERN HOSPITAL* is his sweeping denial that hospitalization plays a role in the psychological development of a child. It is indeed a sad commentary on the state of medical progress that a man of Doctor Myers' influence in medical and hospital affairs should be so callously unaware of interpersonal relationships and the many studies that have been made in this important field.

Lest Doctor Myers lead others down the narrow path he is treading, let me point out that when I was gathering research material in preparation for writing "Report on Hospitals" in *Look Magazine*, I compiled 56 individual references in the scientific literature on the emotional implications of hospitalization on children. This is by no means the complete bibliography on the subject; it represents only the most recent writings in the professional literature.

Doctor Myers' point of view reminds me of a recent statement by Dr. Milton J. E. Senn, director of the Child Study Center at Yale University, ". . . some psychological damage commonly results from the kind of management provided for the sick child. This is especially true of hospital care. The fault lies not in unscientific or inadequate care, but more in the lack of understanding of the nature of children and their emotional needs, the feelings and concerns of parents, and the influence of attitudes, beliefs and emotions of professional people as they deal with the sick."

Roland H. Berg  
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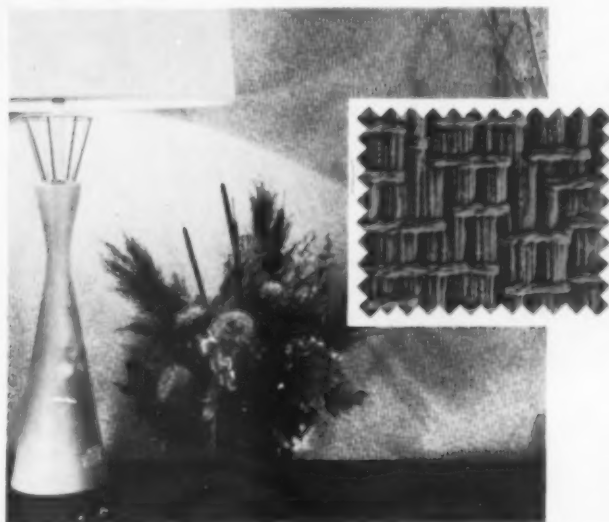
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Attractive main lounge with display of The Modern Hospital in wall rack.

have proved popular with both young and old.

Behind it all is Mary Head, administrator, who never seems to be too busy to fluff a patient's pillow, adjust a TV set, or find a special magazine for a bedfast patient to read, according to a feature article in a local newspaper.

On duty officially from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Mrs. Head is also unofficially listening 24 hours a day. An intercommunications system set up at the hospital sends messages from patients' beds to her all during the night.

In the main lounge one whole wall is covered with a display of The MODERN HOSPITAL — each issue for the last four years, according to Marion Pippin, nurse supervisor at the sanitarium.

## Rosie Marks the Spots

Whenever an employee at Aultman Hospital, Canton, Ohio, suffers an on-the-job injury, Rosie gets another bandage or splint. Rosie, explains George R. Wren, director of the hospital, is a safety mannequin to help remind employees of the importance of safety practices.



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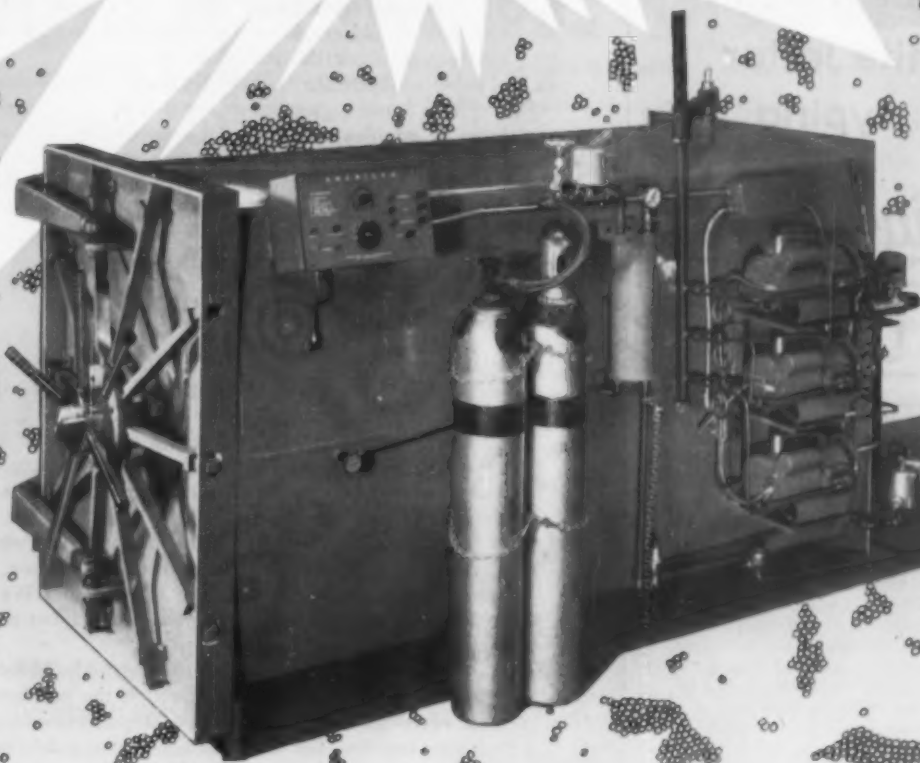
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# **How Is It Possible To Justify Public Relations Expenditures?**

*By Gordon Davis*

**A**LL this talk of public relations is fine and I agree we ought to do something about it," said the administrator. "But our hospital just can't afford it."

Nonsense! The statement is self-contradictory.

What the administrator really was saying was that he did not have the slightest understanding of either the nature or the purposes of public relations. He was listening, but he wasn't hearing.

This is not a grievous sin, or if it is, we're all sinners. We can listen to an idea and nod affable agreement, but we don't really commit ourselves until we support acquiescence with action.

When the need for action becomes inescapable, somehow—magically—there develops the money, the manpower, the energy, and the machinery to support it—provided there is still enough time.

Still, it is hard not to go on the defensive about public relations expenditures. Suppose someone criticizes? How are we going to prove that we are spending this money wisely?

We might argue that soundly conceived and executed public relations activity more than pays its own way. If it's good, it should accomplish this purpose. Indeed, it's possible to demonstrate dollars and cents savings in specific applications.

But that's begging the basic question. No one asks that we apply financial yardsticks to the end products of our churches, schools and libraries, to our spiritual and cultural activities, to friendship, to the worth of common understanding between men.

We spend freely on the intangibles in which we believe. If we have difficulty in justifying public relations expense, it follows that we do not believe public relations effort is needed. We may be willing to accept it if it comes easily and at no cost, but not if it involves commitments.

There are various reasons for this attitude. Sheer administrative pressure—lack of time to think through the problem—may be one. Fear of criticism may be another. Misunderstanding of the public relations function—the persistent notion that public relations consists largely of getting newspaper publicity—unquestionably is another.

Perhaps the foremost is our innate inability to believe that very many people can possibly misunderstand or dislike us. Most hospital administrators are devoted to human service. They are trying hard to serve well, and they know it. Somehow they feel that this good service should speak for itself, that interpretation is a luxury in the diamond and mink coat class.

It is even possible that some administrators think that the problem belongs to the other fellow, that others are responsible for today's free-swinging criticism in editorial columns, in public opinion analyses, at Blue Cross rate hearings, and during cocktail hour gossip fests.

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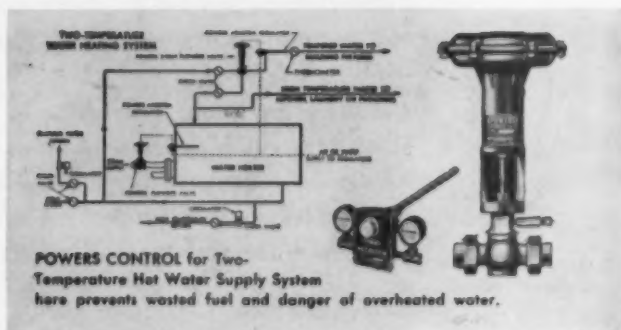
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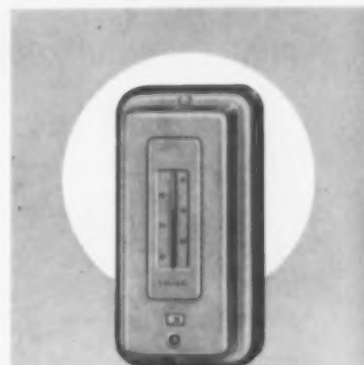
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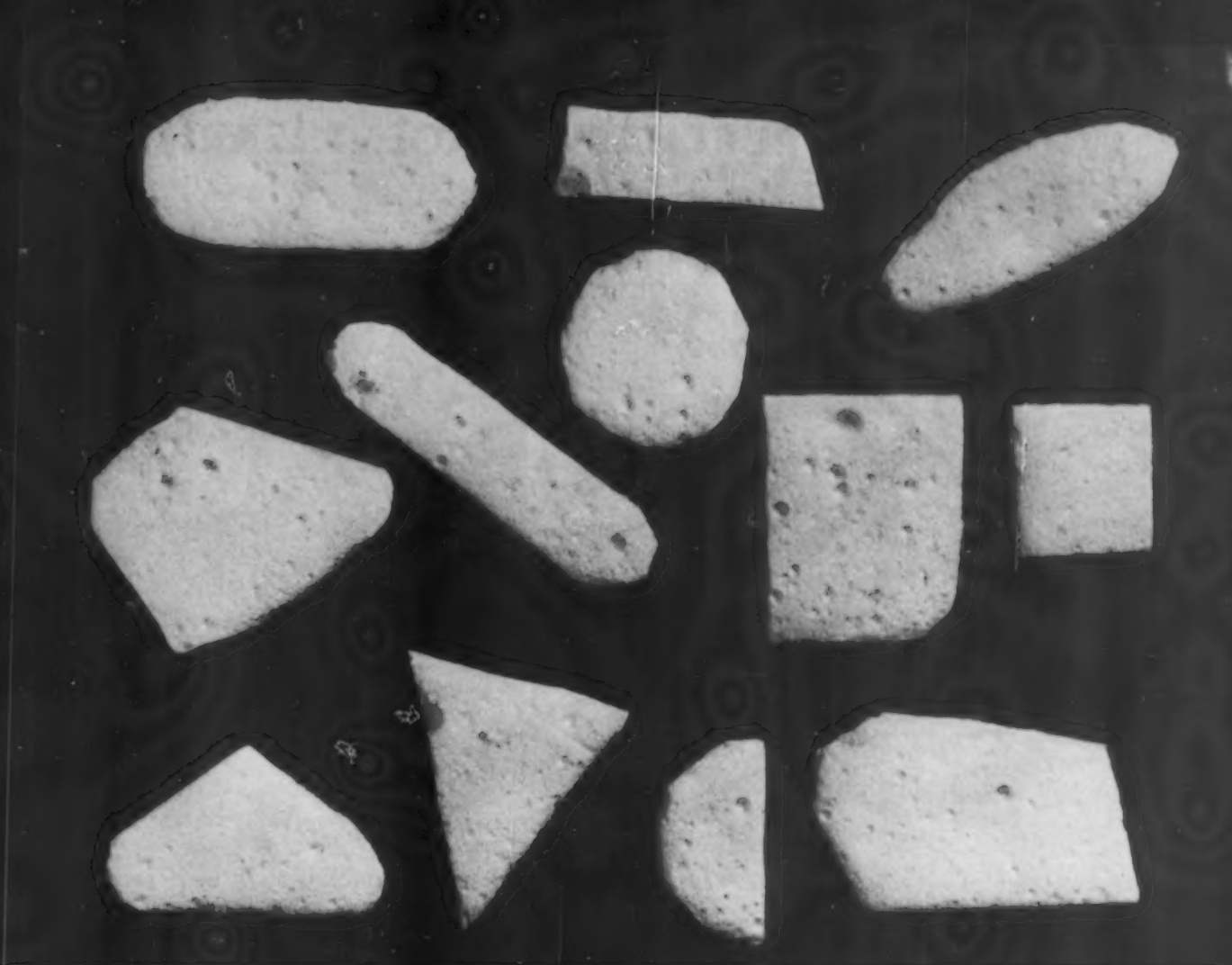
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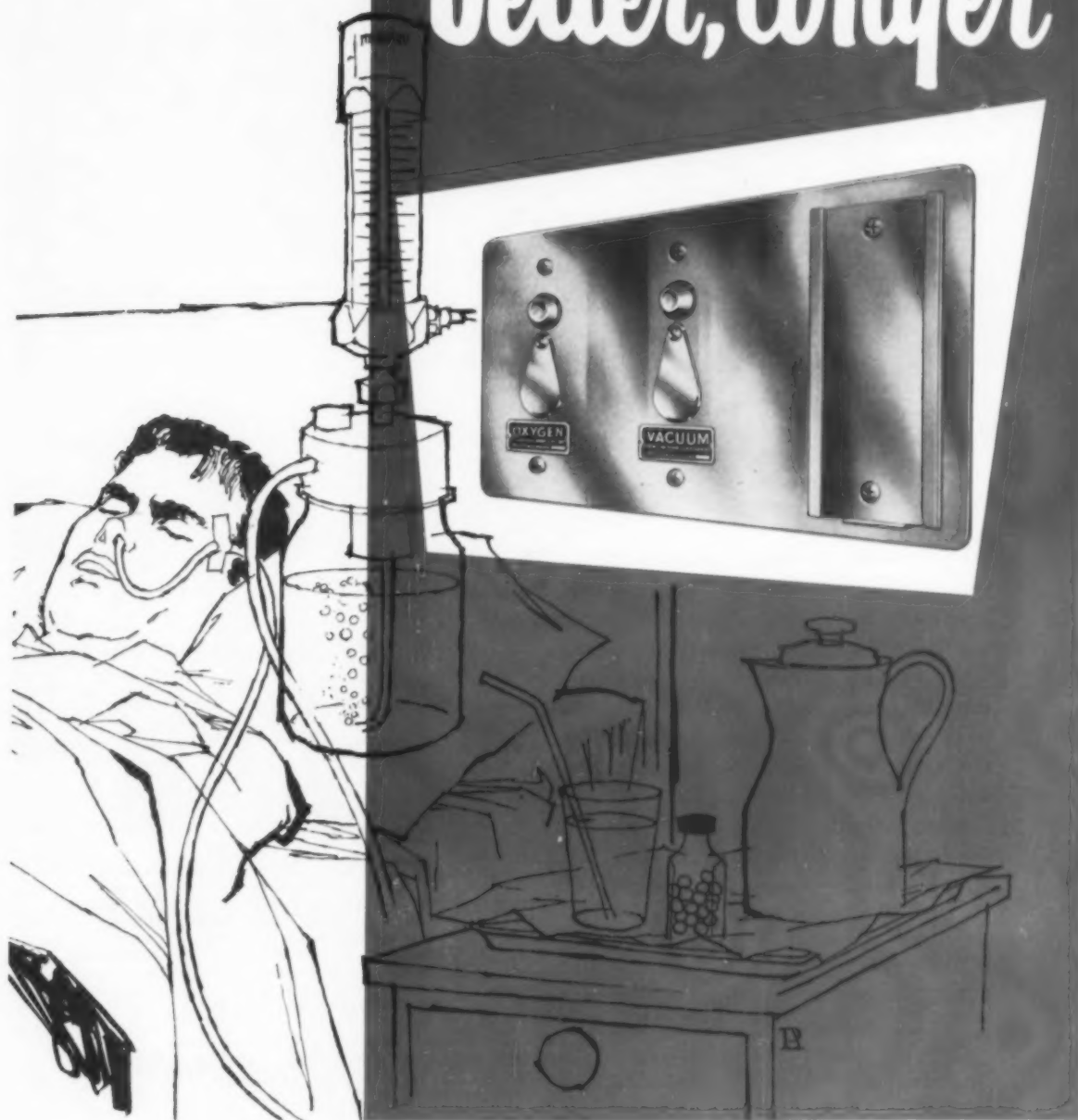
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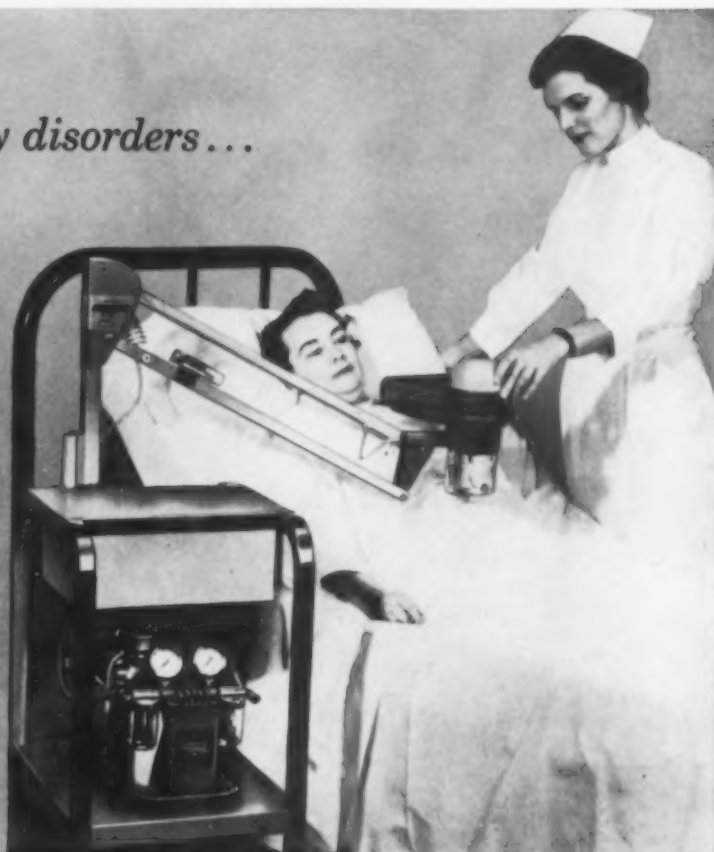
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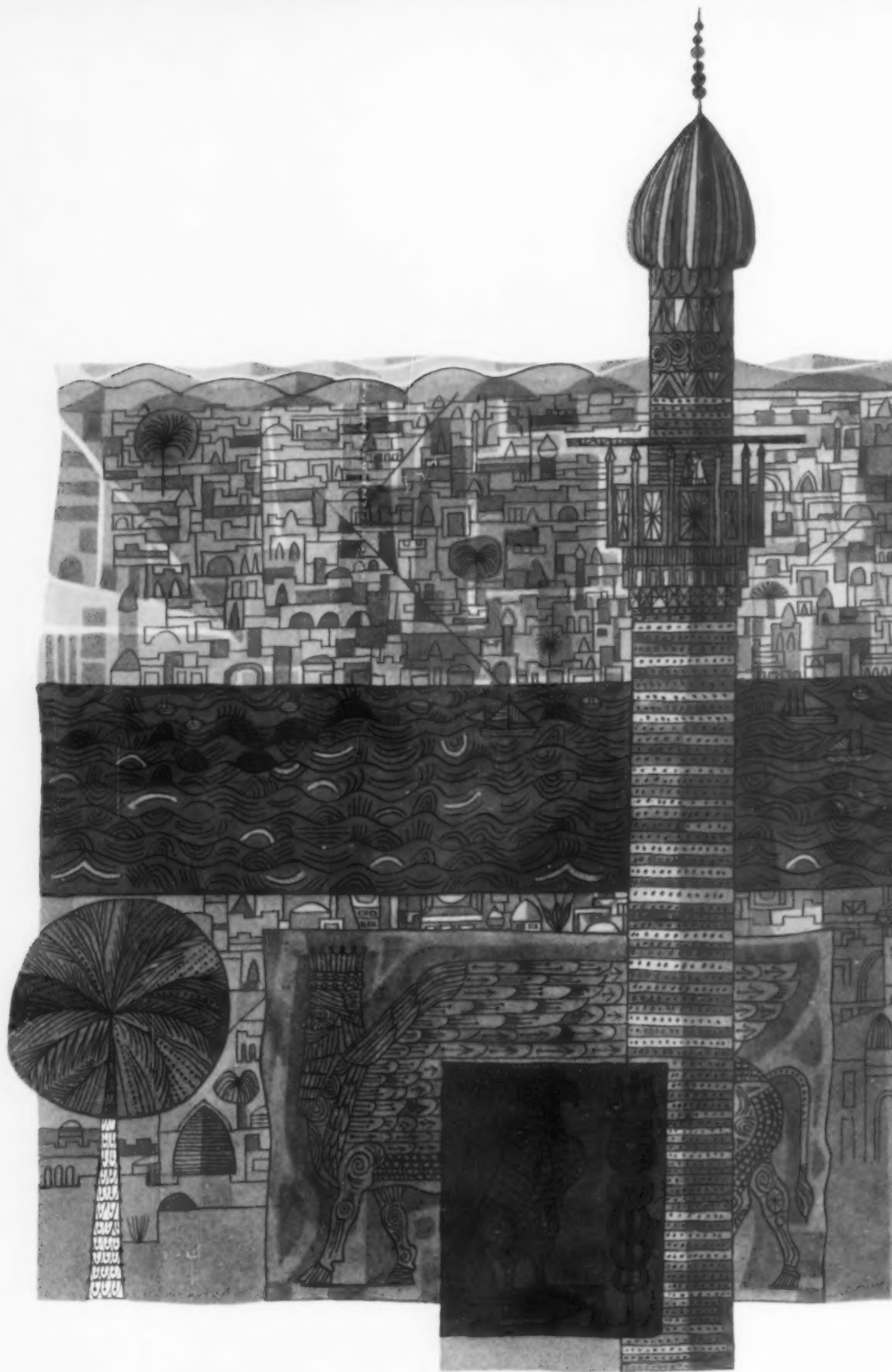
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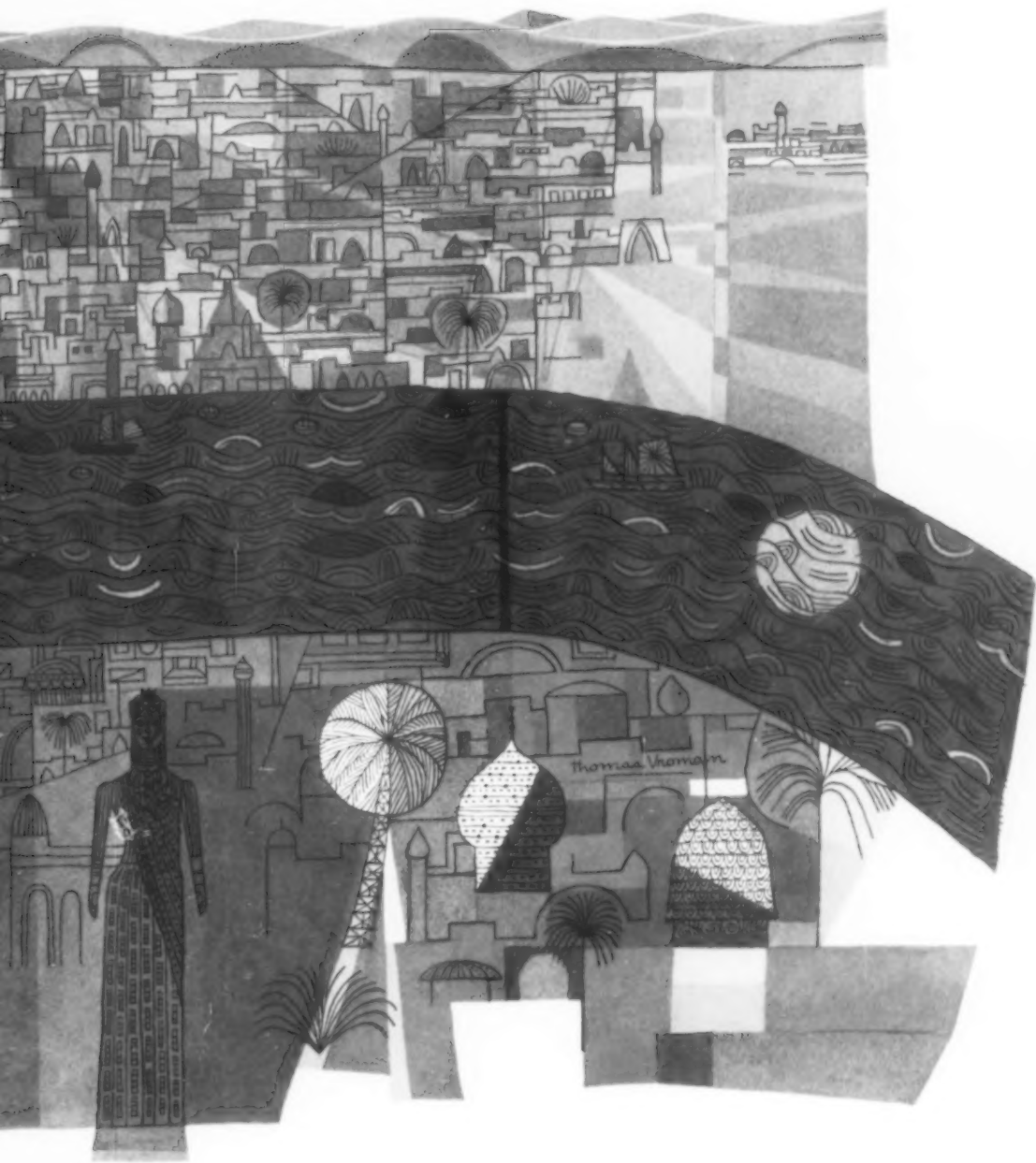
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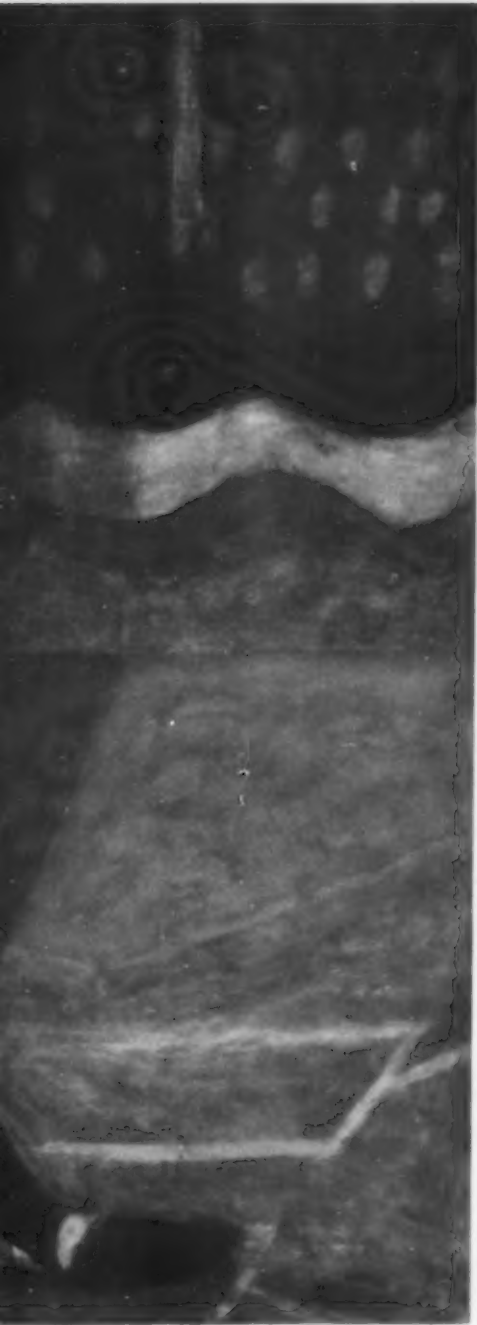
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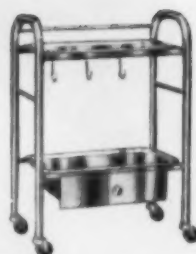


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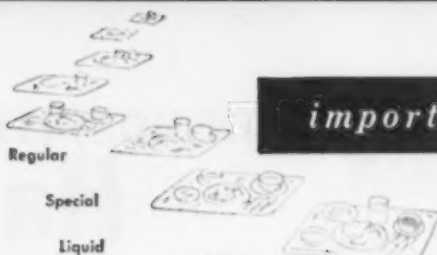
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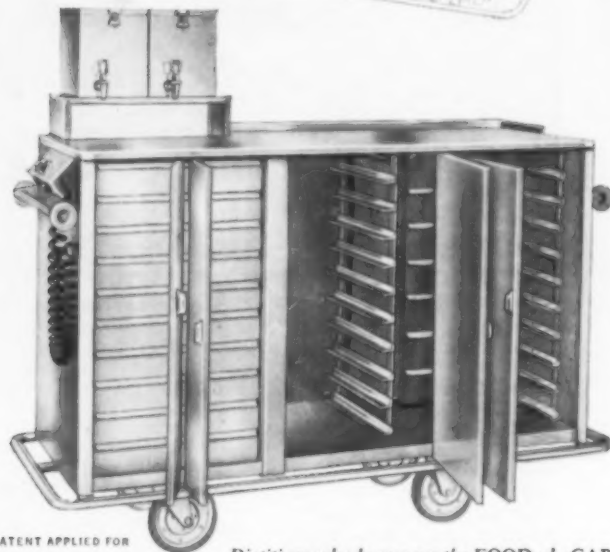
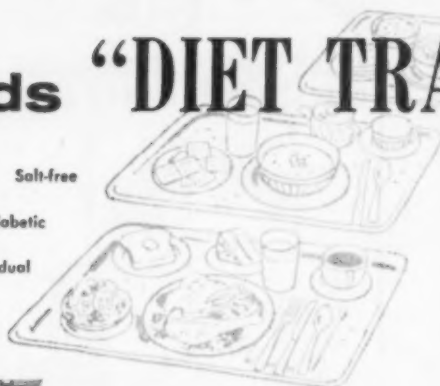
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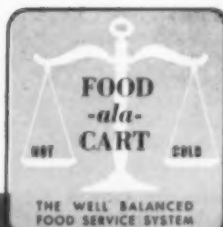
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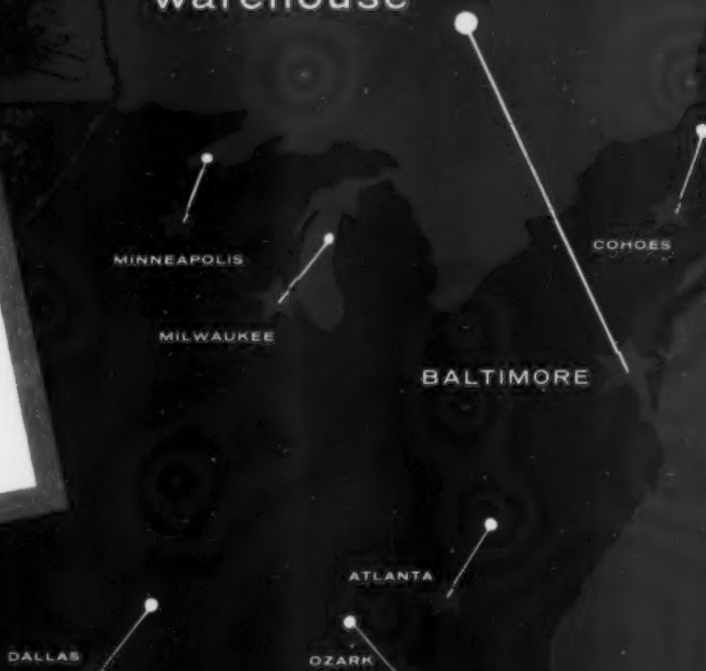




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### Cost of Drugs

**Question:** Many patients feel drug charges are very much out of line; usually they make a comparison of the hospital's drug charge with what they might pay for the same drugs at their drug stores. Of course, anyone connected with a hospital understands why drug charges must be as high as they are, but we feel the need for an explanation to offer the public. Like most others, we charge more for drugs than is absolutely necessary, in order to keep our room charge from becoming unacceptably high. So we must have a satisfactory explanation to offer our patients, in addition to the information already provided in our public relations pamphlet. Can you furnish something that might be useful in the solution of this problem? — R.A.L., Kan.

**ANSWER:** There isn't any satisfactory answer to this question. Some patients will accept the explanation that the charge for giving drugs in the hospital must be higher than the charge for the same drug purchased at retail because the hospital must bear the expense of the nurse who administers medications, pharmacy, floor records,

and so on, but most people will understand quickly that these costs by no means account for the entire difference, and they will properly conclude that the hospital is making a profit on drug charges.

You can explain that any such "profits" are used up in the charges for room, board and general nursing care that are priced below cost, when the question is raised directly by an individual patient—but it might not be wise to treat this whole subject in pamphlet form, for general distribution.

Short of "pioneering" in the establishment of all individual service charges in direct relationship to costs, there is no answer to the problem of drug charges that can be found in any public relations technic. Many public relations advisers suggest a policy of not answering questions that haven't been asked; thus instead of printing a pamphlet on this subject, the hospital would do well to wait until the question is asked specifically, and answer it frankly and honestly, explaining the hospital's cost-and-charge dilemma.

### Heating for TB Hospital

**Question:** We are a 52 bed tuberculosis hospital with an oil burning, steam heating system operating at 90 pounds pressure. We heat our hot water by means of a steam coil in a 1000 gallon copper hot water storage tank. The tank has been condemned, is not repairable, and must be replaced, which will be a costly installation. We

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**ANSWER:** This inquiry was referred to Richard P. Gaulin, mechanical engineer, Division of Hospital and Medical Facilities, U. S. Public Health Service, who has replied as follows:

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1. We would hesitate to use an instantaneous water heater because of peak demands, such as occur in the morning with bathing, kitchen and laundry loads occurring simultaneously.

2. We do not believe a 100 gallon storage tank, however well insulated, would maintain temperatures during the nighttime. Any drawdown from the tank would immediately be replaced by cold water, which would reduce temperature in addition to the heat loss through the insulation.

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The P.H.S. survey showed that 395 general hospitals are planning to adopt some elements of progressive care, Dr. Haldeman told *Scope Weekly*.

Because cost of providing service in intensive care areas is greater than the cost of ordinary care, Dr. Haldeman said progressive care probably would not reduce the total cost of hospitalization to patients.

The maximum number of intensive care patients that should be assigned to a single nursing team is six, the P.H.S. study indicated, and the minimum size for self-help units is 12 beds.

### HOSPITALS IN POLITICAL SQUEEZE

Hospitals may be caught in a political squeeze that could cost them as much as \$45 million next year in new taxes. Later the figure would go down, but it is estimated the permanent annual cost would not drop below \$12 million.

At stake is legislation to extend unemployment compensation coverage to all private nonprofit organizations, with hospitals the largest single group affected. Because an "experience factor" is applied after the first year — which reduces costs for organizations with steady employment records — there would be later downward adjustments.

In this situation the hospitals are caught between liberal and conservative factions from both parties.

Liberal Democrats, with the support of many like-minded Republicans, are pushing hard for the compulsory extension of federal unemployment standards to all states. They are opposed by a much smaller, also bipartisan, band of conservatives.

Not wishing to join with either side, the Eisenhower Administration has come up with its own in-between proposal — let the states continue to set their own standards, but make coverage compulsory for all private, nonprofit organizations. That largely means hospitals.

At hearings before the House ways and means committee, the American Hospital Association was the sole spokesman for the opposition. Frank Groner, A.H.A. trustee and administrator of the Baptist Memorial Hospital of Memphis, was the witness. Among his points:

1. Because hospitals have so little unemployment, the principal effect of the new law would be a heavy tax burden on hospitals. Even if their costs were reduced to the legal minimums, they still would be in a position of subsidizing

industries with high rates of unemployment. It was pointed out that even in the depths of the depression, when unemployment compensation systems were born, hospitals could demonstrate they had so little unemployment that they were not included.

2. Hospital wages are rising, but they still are inadequate in competition with private industry. Therefore, any extra money in hospital resources should be applied to wages.

3. It is wholly appropriate that hospitals pay social security and workmen's disability compensation taxes, because hospital workers are subject to the same old-age, death and injury risks as other employees. But they are not subject to the same layoff risks.

4. If forced to pay unemployment compensation taxes, private, nonprofit hospitals would be discriminated against in favor of government hospitals, which would not be brought under coverage by this law.

5. There would be only one place for the hospitals to get the money to meet the new tax load — increase their charges to patients.

Among the witnesses, the principal supporter of the bill was Labor Undersecretary James P. O'Connell, who argued that private, nonprofit organizations should line up with other employers and make unemployment taxes an essential part of their budgets, the same as, say, fire insurance costs.

With hearings ended, the committee is making its decision behind closed doors. If the bill clears the committee and the House, it still will have to pass the Senate. But there is plenty of time — unless voted down, the bill will remain alive for the rest of this session and all of next.

### INSURANCE FOR U.S. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

The question of a national program of hospital-medical insurance for U.S. civilian employees, which has been on and off the track for more than six years, is building up new steam, but some of the same old danger signals can be seen ahead.

Hearings were held before a Senate subcommittee of which Sen. Richard Weuberger (D.-Ore.) is chairman. Other members are Senators Ralph Yarborough (D.-Tex.) and Thruston Morton (R.-Ky.), new national G.O.P. chairman.

Six years ago President Eisenhower proposed a broad program of health insurance for U.S. employees; it failed because the groups affected couldn't get together on what they wanted. Subsequently the Administration offered a program that included catastrophic coverage, for which the U.S. would pay the full costs. It failed for the same reasons.

The bill now up for action is sponsored by Sen. Olin Johnston (D.-S.C.) and Rep. James H. Morrison (D.-La.). It provides that the government pay two-thirds of the cost of basic coverage, with the employee permitted his choice



of plans and given the right to change plans yearly, and major medical insurance, with U.S. paying the total cost of the latter.

Because of the demonstrated interest of the White House in this issue, the Administration is not openly opposing the bill, and in fact is pleading that it be modified enough to make it acceptable.

Acting for the Administration, the Civil Service Commission is opposing four points:

1. It believes the cost, \$350 million a year at present employment levels, is too high.

2. It believes a new program of this nature should not take on the heavy burden of insurance for retirees, as would the Johnston-Morrison bill.

3. It feels that two-thirds of the cost of basic insurance is too much for the U.S. to carry, in addition to full costs of major medical insurance, and asks that the government's share be dropped to the one-third provided in an earlier Administration bill.

4. Because of the overhead costs, it objects to the provision allowing an employee to shift basic policies annually if he so wishes.

Although all are proposing some changes, the plan has the general endorsement of Blue Cross, the Blue Cross Association, commercial companies and federal employee unions.

How close to agreement these groups really are won't be determined unless and until the committee decides to report out the bill. If this time they are as insistent on the "changes" as they have been in the past, the legislation faces the same old fate.

For example, one suggestion is that all hospitalization charges be handled by Blue Cross, but that Blue Shield compete with commercial companies for the surgery phase, a proposal that is not likely to engender much enthusiasm in the latter.

## HEARINGS ON BLUE CROSS

At this writing (late April) no date has yet been set for the start of hearings by Sen. Wayne Morse's subcommittee on Blue Cross-Blue Shield costs in the District of Columbia. But the hearings definitely will be held.

Meanwhile, there is assurance that the hearings will not be dull. The subcommittee staff has spent some time looking into the financial relationships between hospitals and their professional employees, mostly radiologists, in the Washington, D.C., area.

The staff also has made extensive studies of state sponsored hearings in Pennsylvania, Maryland and New York on reasons for increases in Blue Cross-Blue Shield rates.

The investigation is under the auspices of the Senate district (of Columbia) committee. Should the hearings develop interesting enough material, Senator Morse is prepared to ask a nationwide study by the labor and welfare committee, of which he is also a member. (See page 97.)

## MEDICAL CARE OF THE AGED

The two-month delay by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in publishing its intensive study on medical care costs of the aged stirred up considerable speculation and uncertainty. Now that it is released, the uncertainty remains, as does the big question: Is the Adminis-

tration going to support the Forand bill for hospitalization under social security?

While indicating that the federal government shouldn't get into a field where its help is not definitely needed, the report lays down these "yardsticks" for evaluating the problem:

1. A great majority of the elderly have low incomes and small resources.

2. No more than two out of every five of them have private health or hospitalization coverage of any sort, and what they have is generally meager and uncertain.

3. For the first year payments to hospitals would be about \$904.9 million, and for surgical and medical care about \$80 million.

Instead of making recommendations for the Forand bill or an alternative — or for no federal action — the report merely lists reasons the U.S. should get into this picture, and reasons it shouldn't.

It may be that this fence-straddling, if that is what it is, will prove to have been a waste of effort. H.E.W. Secretary Flemming, shortly after publication of the report, announced flatly that at a later date he would make specific recommendations to Congress, based on the report.

Whatever interpretation the Administration puts on the study, those working for the Forand bill were quick to embrace it.

Rep. Aime J. Forand (D-R.I.) said it confirmed what he had been saying for a long time, namely, that the problem of paying old people's medical bills is so big it can't be solved without intervention of the federal government. President George Meany, whose A.F.L.-C.I.O. has given the Forand bill strong support for years, described the report as "overwhelming evidence we cannot afford" to delay federal action.

American Medical Association, which has led the fight against the social security hospitalization bill, was officially silent, pending a careful study of the report. It was known, however, that some A.M.A. staff people believe the facts in the study will strengthen more than weaken the association's position.

The American Hospital Association, technically (but not violently) opposed to the Forand bill, had nothing to say for the time being.

## New York Hospitals Face Walkout

NEW YORK — A strike against six New York hospitals was scheduled for May 8 by Local 1199 of the Retail Drug Employees Union.

The walkout was called after 70 of New York's 81 voluntary hospitals rejected a proposal for a fact-finding committee that would conduct a thorough investigation of all issues involved in the labor dispute.

On May 7 five of the six hospitals threatened with the strike sought an injunction in the state supreme court to bar the walkout. The sixth hospital, Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn, obtained a court order delaying the walkout until May 11. Hospital and union representatives have refused to meet face to face during the discussions and conferred through city labor commissioner Harold A. Felix (see page 140).





## LOOKING AROUND

### Wanton, Reckless Law

**R**ECENTLY we had an opportunity to read the complaint filed by plaintiff's attorney in a malpractice suit against a hospital, and we were shocked, as we have been before, at the language. The case was one of those nightmares of mistaken identity; the wrong patient had been taken to the operating room and anesthetized, and the operation had barely begun when a flash from the nursing floor, where the right patient had been discovered fretting about the "delay" in his operation, stopped the surgeon, literally, with his knife in mid-air.

As it must in such cases, the hospital acknowledged negligence on the part of its employe, in this case a nurse's aide, who failed to make the proper identification. But there was a question, at least, of contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff, an elderly man who answered three times to the wrong name during the episode. Moreover, repeated medical examinations of the plaintiff revealed that, while an incision was begun, with the exception of some anguish and inconvenience, freely admitted by the hospital, no real damage was suffered.

But what does the complaint say? The complaint charges that the aide, the floor supervisor, the nurse in charge of the operating room, the anesthetist and the surgeon were guilty of "wanton, reckless and wrongful assault" on the patient! These words are repeated three times in the complaint, which seeks some \$50,000 in damages from the hospital and the surgeon.

We asked a lawyer friend why it was necessary, in a case of negligence

which has caused the hospital and its employes, and the surgeon, at least as much anguish as it caused the plaintiff, to claim wanton, reckless assault when it is perfectly plain to everybody, including the plaintiff and his attorney, that no wanton, reckless assault occurred within the meaning of these words as everybody over eight years old understands them.

It was a legal maneuver, our friend explained, similar to that of the prosecutor who charges murder hoping for a conviction of manslaughter, or, perhaps, comparable to the tactic of the batter who berates the umpire for a called strike, seeking to influence the next close call in his favor. "A complaint charging wanton, reckless assault would be more likely to induce the hospital to a favorable settlement," our friend said, "or, if the case went to court, it might be expected to make the jury take the evidence against the hospital more seriously, with a resulting verdict in favor of the plaintiff."

Not if we were on the jury, it wouldn't! If we were on the jury, we'd vote to throw any lawyer who called simple negligence "wanton, reckless assault" out of court, and we think all juries and judges should do the same. If wanton, reckless language is a proper legal maneuver, the law is not only, as Mr. Bumble said, "a ass, a idiot." It stinks.

### Leaders and Managers

**F**OR reasons that were never wholly clear and are unimportant here anyway, we found ourselves not long ago attending and taking part in a

week-long seminar on management at a luxurious mountain retreat that was once a millionaire's estate and is now, for the usual cause, the property of a university. The university's school of business administration keeps the place filled most of the time with business executives ingesting massive doses of management logic, mountain air and Beaujolais — a combination that is wholesome tonic for the spirit, if not for the waistline.

As hospital administrators have learned in their own graduate schools, seminars and institutes, there is a definitive body of knowledge about the principles and processes of management. Like many of the hospital administration meetings we have attended as a reporter, this seminar was concerned with the body's musculoskeletal structure — the principles of planning, organizing, directing and controlling, and with its heart and great vessels — the processes of decision-making, motivating and communicating.

Under the guidance of a teacher who had the strength of character to refrain from giving the answers and the skill to compel students to seek answers within themselves, we examined the principles and processes first as abstractions, then sought to apply them in given business cases. The latter exercise, inevitably, laid bare all the traps that are familiar to experienced administrators: the failure to delegate because it's easier to do it yourself; the uneven distribution of responsibility and authority; the unwillingness to observe proper channels once they are established; the deci-

sion that doesn't foresee all the consequences; the tendency to see things as they should be and not as they really are; the temptation to master-mind; the inconsistencies of rewards and penalties; the reluctance to tell others what is going on upward in the administrative hierarchy and to find out what is going on below.

Unquestionably, examining the management processes and circling around the management traps can be a revealing experience for business executives, and even for editors, as it is for hospital administrators, but we were impressed increasingly as the week rolled on and the words rolled out that management is still more art than science and good performance demands more of character than of knowledge. A great deal of what we heard about direction and motivation and communication could be summed up simply in the words of Ecclesiastes: "Better is it that thou shouldst not vow, than that thou shouldst vow and not pay."

It was not in its precepts or discourses, however, but in its own functioning that the seminar offered the most instructive lessons in the art of administration. The group leader was essentially a man who listened and inquired, leading by low-keyed persuasion rather than by high-powered authority. At the end of the first hour, it is doubtful that any man in the room would have hired him; at the end of the week, it is doubtful that any man in the room wouldn't have been glad to work for him. The qualities of leadership are harder to define and analyze than are the processes of management, but the true leader can always throw away the book and succeed as a manager, and the manager who is not also a leader may obey all the rules and still fail.

The fact of the matter is that the way our society is organized, many are forced into roles as managers who have neither taste nor talent for leadership. Fortunately, this inadequacy can be compensated to some extent by knowledge of the management process — and above all by self-knowledge, and if he clings to the former and improves the latter consistently enough and long enough, the manager's performance may be satisfactory or even, eventually, superior. For most men, however, the human need to be loved may be a fatal

tear in the managerial fabric. We want to be nice fellows, and nice fellows say "yes" or "maybe," or "tomorrow," or "if" — when the only right and honest thing to say is "no." What we lack is courage, and courage isn't found in books or seminars. It is found in leaders.

### Bright Side

VISITING with hospital people at the spring conventions this year, we sensed that they were deeply hurt by the article about hospitals that appeared in *Look* magazine last winter. In a way that previous articles of the same genre failed to do, the *Look* article caused bitter resentment.

Well, we can certainly understand why this is so, and we have nothing to add to what has already been said about the *Look* article, which may easily have been the most widely discussed document since the Dead Sea Scrolls. What we want to point out instead is that hospitals still have an overwhelmingly favorable press — something few hospital administrators, apparently, have stopped to consider. Our newspaper this morning, for example, carried a page one picture taken in a hospital emergency room, where a nurse and two doctors were busy attending the needs of an accident victim. Every day, newspapers all over the country print hundreds such stories; every such story tells millions of readers, "Hospitals get you well when you are hurt." Magazines abound with articles describing new medical techniques and scientific developments; without exception, the locale of these articles is the hospital. Books roll from the presses telling similar stories of accomplishment and hope. One of the latest of these is a 277 page paean to the skill and devotion of the surgeons and nurses at one hospital and, in fact, to the whole history of surgical development in hospitals in our time.\*

But hospital people forget the paeans and dwell broodingly on the jeremiads instead. We were reminded of this not long ago when we attended a meeting of public school administrators, where we fell to talking about the public relations problems of schools.

"What can we do to offset the effects of all these terrible, critical arti-

cles about schools that are appearing in newspapers and magazines?" the school people wanted to know.

"That's just what the doctors and hospital people keep asking," we replied.

"Doctors and hospitals?" the school people said in astonishment. "Why, doctors and hospitals have a marvelous press!"

So they do — and so, on balance, do the schools.

### Question

SURGEONS may quarrel with the implications of a clinical report that was presented at the scientific assembly of the American Academy of General Practice last month, but philosophers will applaud the method. Dr. Louis T. Palumbo, professor of surgery at the State University of Iowa College of Medicine, reported that surgical wounds healed as quickly and uneventfully when bandages were removed entirely within 24 hours as they did when conventional treatment was followed, with bandages continued up to eight days.

Dr. Palumbo's report covered treatment of 222 incisions; in 111 cases, the conventional method was followed, with 90 per cent of the bandages removed by the end of the eighth day following surgery. Bandages were removed from the other 111 incisions at various times — some within six hours, more than half within 24 hours, and all within 48 hours. Complications were minimal and almost identical in both groups, it was reported, and the surgeon added that the unbandaged incisions appeared to heal faster, with less local inflammation and no adhesive irritation. Moreover, it was reported, none of the patients objected. On the contrary, most of them were eager to watch their incisions heal; curiosity obviously outruns fastidiousness.

With rising rates of surgical wound infection in many hospitals and emphasis on the hazards of air-borne infection today, not many surgeons will be likely to follow Dr. Palumbo's lead, and, indeed, in many hospitals it might be hazardous to do so. But the method is one that could be applied to advantage, unquestionably, on nursing floors and elsewhere throughout most hospitals.

The method is simply to ask, not "Why do we do it this way?" but "Why do we do it at all?"

\*The Operation, by Leonard Engel. New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc. 1958.

In this analysis of the basic conflict between a fighter pilot and his organization, the author finds a close analogy with the conflict between doctor and hospital — and for the same reasons

## The Only Team That Pilots — and Doctors — Recognize Is Their Own

David M. Kinzer

**D**URING the second world war I flew in the Navy off aircraft carriers. We were called the Air Group. It included three squadrons — fighters, dive bombers, torpedo bombers. The squadrons broke down into wings, divisions, then sections. The two-plane section was the smallest unit of aerial command.

All of this was laid out neatly on the organizational chart. Within the squadron the line stairstepped up to the squadron commander, or skipper, who reported to the air group commander. The air group commander's line stretched horizontally, then vertically without break up to the executive officer and captain of the ship. In other words, the air group was on a line with all the other command departments of the ship — Navigation, Operations, Engineering, Gunnery, Air. The Air Department, as distinguished from the Air Group, was responsible for all the services and maintenance of aircraft. It should be noted that the air officer, with responsibility for the planes, and the air group commander, with responsibility for the pilots, were equals in the line of command, with neither in a position to order the other around.

Looking at the organizational chart, you would say at once that this was the orthodox line and staff organization and that the air group was an integrated, functioning unit of the ship. There was plenty of evidence to indicate that the high Navy brass of those days thought so, too.

But this was another organizational chart that concealed much more than it revealed. The group most responsible for divorcing it from reality was the pilots.

This chart was one of the things, among many others, the pilots of those days labeled as "strictly oatmeal."

We knew, you see, that this was *our* ship. It had been created for us. Obviously, therefore, the officers and crew of the ship were in our service. If



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they weren't they belonged on shore. In our minds, these points were beyond argument, as changeless as revealed truth. We weren't helping the ship carry out its mission; the ship helped us carry out ours. After all, what good was an aircraft carrier without pilots?

*Does this sound like anything you've heard before?*

## Pilots Were Set Apart From the Rest of the Ship Because They Were Geared to the Demands of Their Calling — Sound Familiar?

We weren't at all impressed by the ship's organization, probably because we rarely thought of it as such. To us it was a place to land, a kind of floating service center where all the details incidental to our missions were accomplished. The ship therefore had to gear itself to us. The ones that accommodated themselves to us most swiftly and efficiently were the best ships.

*The fact that they all made a try at doing this only served to confirm our point that the chart was just another piece of Navy paper. With the pilots' interests in mind, the Navy had applied an overlay of special privilege that almost concealed the ship's formal organization. For instance, our ready rooms were the only spaces aboard with air conditioning, except for the captain's quarters. A meal was always available to us, but not to other officers, on the off hours. We were the only ones that could get legal "drinking whiskey." A pony bottle of brandy, a good jolt, was served up to us after each strike.*

We were the only officers that weren't obliged to stand a ship's watch. The ship's day was split into these equal segments and its officers and crew were parceled out so that the ship's operations were fully covered at all hours. But our day was not the ship's day. It was never that predictable. They couldn't occupy us with routines, because we had to be ready to scramble for our planes on very short notice. So we did a lot of waiting. Often we did our wait-

ing in the sack in wardroom cabins. That was another privilege. If a pilot was found in the prone position during general quarters, it was because he was tired. Any other officer so occupied would have been up for court martial. The pilots, in fact, could be counted on to break even the most rational of Navy regulations with regularity. We were unquestionably the sloppiest group aboard ship. Anyone who had seen a Navy crew at sea knows this is quite a distinction. It used to amuse us when senior career officers would suddenly be confronted with one of our unkempt and unshaven pilots. He would turn his head, pretending he hadn't seen him, and walk the other way.

We were convinced, though, that the privileges of perpetual readiness were more than offset by the responsibilities. Sometimes it meant taking off so late we had to land by night, or else taking off so early that we had no horizon as we rushed off the end of the deck. Sometimes it meant long stretches of furious, rushing activity without sleep. The hard part about these periods and what made them so exhausting was that, all the way through, you never felt you could let yourself make a mistake.

While we were never happy about this aspect of the carrier pilot's life, we were, to the last man, proud of it. This, we were convinced, was the ultimate reason why we were set apart (and above) the ship's organization. The rest of the ship, we said, was geared to the clock; we were geared to the demands of our calling.

*And doesn't this have a slightly familiar ring, too?*

## They Were Members of a Tight and United Community — the Most Select, the Most Needed, the Most God-Gifted of All Men

From our first days as cadets the unique status of pilots was drummed into us. Though the Navy had put us on a salary, we were appeased by flight pay, which gave us 50 per cent more money than anyone else of equal rank or grade. Our appetites were whetted by a big publicity program. Pilots were made the personification of a mighty and air-minded Navy. When the press agents wrote about great victories, it was the pilot who sank the ship or shot down five of the enemy in one dogfight. They didn't bother too much about the guy who had loaded the guns.

The publicity also stressed that Navy cadets were the few chosen from the many. Even when selection standards had to be relaxed, they publicly held to this line. It not

only had recruitment value; it was also designed to motivate the fledgling pilot himself. They had to make us feel privileged and select to make us equal to the kind of training program they had laid out.

They really put it to us. We had to learn jujitsu and trigonometry and other subjects that later seemed only remotely related to the business of carrier aviation. The discipline was sadistic. Even the enlisted men abused us. The one overriding objective seemed to be the shattering of our confidence.

In the early stages, our flight instructors usually told us frankly that we were hopeless. Each additional instructional period was granted as if it were a reprieve from ultimate-



ly certain execution. Once you got to the point where you could do a fairly decent landing or loop, then they'd start telling you that just learning how to fly didn't mean you could make the grade as a Navy pilot. Flying the airplane was only about 50 per cent of it. The remainder was, as one of them put it, "dedication." You had to want to do it, because even in the fleet no one could really make you do what had to be done. As they put it, we were the ones, the only ones, who could "deliver the goods."

There was one instructor in particular, a tough old flying chief from the peacetime fleet, who terrorized everyone. He used to ask us technical questions on the engine or the guns that weren't even covered in the curriculum. When we couldn't answer them, he was off on a tirade about the new generation of pilots. The moral of his story was that you couldn't count on any mechanic or plane handler to do anything right unless you knew what "right" was and made sure they knew it. "Don't trust the ship too much, Sonny," he would say. "It isn't your damn mother." He washed out more of us than any other instructor. Fly-

ing ability seemed to have little to do with it. The cocky ones or the casual ones had the most trouble with him.

*The training period was an eternity of torture. In no time, it had almost erased our lazy and care-free pasts from memory. The only direction we could see was ahead. Dangling on the horizon were a pair of Navy wings, which not only had become a symbol of nearly impossible attainment but were, like the flight pay, a perquisite in themselves. After all, who else but pilots could wear wings?*

When we finally did make it, we had become so single minded about our ultimate position and function that all our other "selves" were nearly invisible. There was not the slightest doubt in our minds about what we were. We were Navy pilots, members of a tight and united community of Navy pilots, the most select, the most promising, the most needed, the most God-gifted of all men.

*And who else is so jazzed up just after they get out of school?*

## Pilots Didn't Feel Close to Other Officers, Partly Because They Had Their Own Language and It Was Easier Just To Talk to Each Other

All through flight training, the build-up was, "when you get into a squadron" and "when the squadron gets to the fleet." There was almost nothing said about the ship itself and how we fitted in. So when we got our ship and landed aboard one day, we amazed and shocked the crew with our inclusive ignorance of ship routines and organization.

The ship was enormous, a maze of technology, a honeycomb of specialization. At first we couldn't even find our way around, not to mention understanding what all the paraphernalia was, what it was for, the voluminous edicts governing its use, who uses it, the protocol involved, and so on. Actually our initial curiosity was blunted by the incredible complexity of everything.

This feeling of strangeness, which lasted for many weeks, had the effect of drawing us even more closely together. We felt like a small minority and we were. There were literally thousands of enlisted men carrying out specialized and often incomprehensible assignments — mechanics and radiomen and ordnancemen, each group broken down into numerous specialties and subspecialties, the men who fixed and calibrated the radar, others who operated it, others who interpreted it. Besides the ship's radar, each plane type used a different type of radar, each with its own maintenance specialist.

There was no end to it. On the flight deck there were hook disengagers, wing folders, taxi signalers, radio checkers, instrument checkers, firemen, crashmen, corpsmen, signalmen.

The Navy had started years before sending these people to special schools. They were coming aboard ship with a specialty as well as a rating. On their sleeves they proudly

wore the emblems of their attainment. Some of them even wore their own special kind of wings. When the Navy started doing this, the pilots made outraged protests. "Sure," we'd say, "we grant you that they deserve recognition, but this is confusing to the public. They'll think these guys are flying the damn airplanes."

### *Meet the "parapilots."*

Their specialization notwithstanding, to us this array of highly trained technicians was still an amorphous mass we called "the crew." Even after months, there were few that we even recognized, not to speak of knowing them as individuals. They lived in a different world, status-wise and time-wise. We always said to ourselves that we should make an effort to know them, but there never seemed to be the time. There were pilots who went through a whole tour of duty without being able to identify some of the insignia they wore on their sleeves.

We knew the ship's officers better, since the Navy had made us equals in wardroom society. But that didn't mean we felt close to them. Partly it was because we had our own language. It was much easier just to talk to each other. Partly, but only partly, it was a matter of status, symbolized by the wings we wore on our shirts.

*The latter point must be carefully qualified. The ship's captain, the exec and the air officer had wings, too, but that didn't mean they were in the brotherhood. They disqualified themselves on two counts: one, they were not actually flying with us (few command officers ever left the deck), and two, they were hopelessly and irrevocably organ-*



*ization men, at once the spokesmen and the servants of the ship. Among ourselves, we didn't consider them fliers at all.*

Even squadron skippers were on trial until they established their loyalties one way or another. What we expected from them was steady and predictable leadership in the air, which implied a pretty fair competence as an aviator, and a readiness to go to bat for their pilots in any and all situations that involved a conflict with the ship.

Whether by brilliance or accident, the Navy did very well in its selection of squadron commanders. I never ran into a really bad one. They had an uncanny knack of picking men with absolutely no administrative abilities whatsoever and only the dimmest of ambitions for a postwar Navy career. This was exactly what the pilots wanted. The ad-

ministrators-type was, by definition, not air-minded; the ambitious would inevitably cozy up to the high rank on board and try to sell us an organization bill of goods.

In short, there was a pretty clear line that cut across the officers' wardroom. There were the guys that flew the planes and there were the "gumshoes," our word for the guys that didn't fly the planes. I can recall our making only two exceptions to this social line of distinction. One was the landing signal officer. He had to be one of us because it was a psychological necessity that we trust him completely. The other was the flight surgeon. He earned his wings when he sold the captain on giving us the brandy.

*Which should establish, if we have not already done so, that pilots and doctors are very close together in their basic thinking.*

## There Was an Unremitting, Obsessive and Ceaselessly Inventive Effort by the Organization To Get the Pilots on the Team

One thing the pilots all learned quickly was that spectacular success and complete disaster were always uncomfortably close companions. The first could rarely be realized without the near presence of the other. In fighters it was that extra 100 or 200 yards of pressing in close on an enemy plane. In dive bombers it was maybe about 1000 more feet of waiting to be sure before you pressed the release button. This, we assumed, was what our instructors had meant by "dedication" because this was the part that nobody could ever really make us do.

The fact that they couldn't make us do it put us under more of a strain, I think, than there might have been otherwise. Nobody was ever enthusiastic about being bracketed by a hail of small caliber fire near the ground or close to an enemy formation. Some days, though, we were less enthusiastic than others. Day by day, in other words, you fought a running battle with yourself about just how hard a try you would give it. Aside from the will power factor, there was a fine point of judgment. You had to know when success was impossible, when the real hard try was suicide, and a waste, when it would be wiser to come back and try another day. In spite of what the publicists said, these choices were often possible. Every pilot who lived through the war made them prudently.

*This probably explains why the pilots, of all the groups on ship, were the least inclined toward open criticism of their fellows. The word of someone's conspicuous aerial failure stayed within the group. Usually we tried to make it easier for the man involved. All of us had failed on occasions, too.*

If we ever heard another pilot's performance being criticized by a ship's officer or crew member, we rammed the words right back down their throats. It was very important to us that this kind of thing not be accepted, or even acknowledged.

At the heart of this ethic was a deep sense that no outsider could possibly appreciate what we were going through. Given this, we didn't grant any right of criticism.

So mixed in with our pride was a chronic inner discomfort. You had a responsibility. There was no limit to it. So you had to do the limiting yourself. What we did in the air war and the inner war that went with it completely wrapped us up. This was our nagging preoccupation, even when we weren't flying. This was what was important.

I try to explain this feeling because it in turn explains why the pilots drew such a clear line between themselves and the ship and why we were so suspicious of anyone whose primary interests lay with the ship's organization. They did not and they could not understand that our problems were always more important to us than any the ship could give us.

We wanted the ship to leave us alone with our problems. In return we were glad to let the captain and all his crew have theirs.

But it didn't work out that way. The ship had to involve itself in our problems because, as they put it, we were a part of the ship. For identical reasons, they argued that we should help the ship solve its problems, too.

*As you can see, "togetherness" was a common theme in those days, too.*

There was an unremitting, obsessive and ceaselessly inventive effort to get the pilots "on the team." It came at us like a crossfire from nearly every command department of the ship and from many levels of the Navy hierarchy from the task force right up to Washington. On the ship there was always someone from air plot, the flight deck, maintenance or air intelligence who sought and obtained an audience with the pilots to get their "cooperation and understanding" in the solution of some "mutual problem." We were beset by an endless stream of directives, reports, instructions and other paper from Washington. Nearly every

month the high brass changed its mind on how we should fly the airplane.

*Not content with just educating us, the Navy had to study, test and evaluate us, too. In the later stages of the war, sociologists, psychologists and an assortment of other obscure functionaries in the human relations field began to close in on us. The word had gotten out and up, you see, that the pilots were "a problem" all through the fleet. One central thesis had apparently won full acceptance — that if someone could just figure out a way to build an identity of interest between pilot and ship, the war would quickly be won.*

Our response to all of this wasn't exactly gratifying to the Navy. The pressure seemed to create its own resistance. Being preoccupied, we were easily bored with this kind of attention. Besides we quickly found that about half the ideas they had for us didn't work. You don't teach anybody to dogfight an F6F at 30,000 feet by writing a memo and holding a meeting, but these things were tried. We went to the meetings sure that none of the ideas was any good.

Sometimes it got so heavy that whole squadrons would work themselves into a kind of frenzy. "Why don't they leave us alone," we would ask each other, "and spend their time learning how to keep the damn canopies clean."

The canopies were a chronic and apparently insoluble problem. I once had four planes at a stretch that had an oil glaze on the windbreak front of the canopies. Obviously you couldn't sight very well on a target with oil distorting the image.

Getting the windshields cleaned properly was a problem. You'd ask the plane captain why he hadn't cleaned it, and he'd say he had. And you'd say that it wasn't clean, and he'd admit it wasn't. And then you'd tell him that the way to get oil off glass was to use a gasoline-soaked rag, and he knew that, too. And then he'd tell you his problem. There was an order against using gasoline-soaked rags on the flight deck with engines turning up. Then you'd ask why they hadn't cleaned it down in the hangar deck, and he didn't know. Besides it wasn't his responsibility. He was a plane captain, not a mechanic.

This upset me so much that I actually tried to find the

man responsible for keeping that canopy clean. There wasn't a sailor on that ship, though, who would admit a responsibility for anything except in the physical presence of his chief petty officer. The chiefs, of course, were the unrivaled masters of self-absolution. Nothing was ever their fault. So you and your problem would land with some ship's officer, who didn't know the culprit either. It annoyed him to be asked because, as he put it, the chief handled all such details.

Besides those of us who were sore about dirty canopies, there were other pilots ranging furiously up and down the ship trying to find who had fouled up their guns or had forgotten to bolt down their engine housing or had reversed the wires on their elevator trim. If all of this accomplished nothing else, we did shake the chain of command from the bottom up and antagonized many an innocent member of the crew.

This got to such a point on one ship that the air officer called us together and told us in no uncertain terms to lay off his enlisted men. Then he announced with evident pride that he had a solution to the problem. From that time on, we were to channel our complaints through junior officers who had been assigned to each squadron just for that purpose.

Looking back over the years, the plight of these commissioned "trouble-shooters" inspires pity; at the time, though, we felt no charity and gave no mercy. From the very start, their jobs were a nightmare. They took the full brunt of every complaint that we had and some that we imagined. Often they didn't swing enough weight with the chiefs and the maintenance crews to get action. Often part of the message was lost in transmittal. Often it wasn't understood in the first place. Of course, they always got it worse from us the second time around when we discovered the thing never was fixed.

The failures of these three helpless ensigns confirmed the very darkest misgivings we had about administrative officers. They seemed to know everything but how to give us fast and dependable service. In the privacy of our ready rooms we delivered this unanimous verdict: They were "meddlers, bunglers, fools."

*In how many doctors' lounges have these kind of cries resounded?*

## Bigness Blighted the Personal Touch and Made Communication Difficult; There Were Eternal Little Wars Being Fought

We soon had the feeling that nobody on the ship liked us. Walking along the catwalks on your way to the plane, you'd often hear profane mutterings from members of the crew — loud enough to get the sense of but never clear enough for positive identification. In their own ways the ship's officers made their feelings clear, too.

But though it was true that the ship wasn't very happy about us, it wasn't very happy about anything else, either. I was on four carriers during the war — one ship that was

very good, two ships that were average, and one ship that was terrible. All of the ships were unhappy.

*The reasons this was so are complex but familiar. Bigness had blighted the personal touch and thereby made communication difficult. People didn't feel like "shipmates" when they didn't see one another from one month to the next. There was some departmental esprit but it often had its outlet in vindictiveness against the men in other*

*departments. So there were eternal little wars being fought within the big war.*

The Navy had passed out so many ranks and grades in so many specialties that there was a terrible status problem. They had a hard enough time even finding a place to put some of these people in the organizational structure. Making them feel that they fitted was a problem that few had time to tackle. The pilots weren't the only ones that had gotten specialized training and a build-up that made them feel the ship couldn't exist without them. It seemed like half the people aboard had had more or less the same experience. Everybody had their letdown, too.

So the pilots were not the only ones aboard that ship who were resented. In fact, we probably ranked a poor third behind the captain and the cooks. Resentments flowed up and down and across every line of the ship's organization, but they did tend to concentrate more on symbols than on personalities. The captain symbolized authority, the pilots symbolized special privilege, and the cooks symbolized food. On Navy ships, nobody ever liked any of these things.

## The Navy Could Not Make Pilots Organization-Minded or Eliminate the Ambivalence So Often Noted in the Hospital Organization

There is much more that I could say about the aircraft carrier and its pilots. This should be enough, though, to cast serious doubts on the common assumption that the stresses and strains in the relationship of medical staff to the hospital organization, and vice versa, are absolutely unique, and that we can therefore get little help or solace from looking at the experience in other fields.

Having had a few years to mull all of this over, I can state with some assurance the following conclusions — about pilots and aircraft carriers, of course (but hoping, in the process, to stir up some good arguments about their application to hospitals and doctors).

1. **The conflict between pilot and carrier** would have persisted in any kind of organizational structure. Note that the Navy had denied the pilots any semblance of the functional authority that the physician has when he directs patient care activities within the hospital. There were no dotted lines for us. We had our place in the line of command, just like the others. But the Navy did not, by virtue of this decision, make us organization-minded or even eliminate the ambivalence and confusion that is so often noted in the hydra-headed hospital organization. Fifteen years away from my experience, I feel sure (without checking myself) that the Navy still hasn't solved this "problem."

2. **Strains in the pilot-carrier relationship** stemmed from a functional conflict, and not a conflict that derived from weakness in the ship's organization. The pilots were, and had to be, individualized and independent in their approach to their responsibilities; the carrier, by

In other words, the crew had to complain. It was a universal compulsion. In this respect the pilots were very much a part of the ship's organization, never lacking a contribution to the general chorus. For one thing, we were mad about the rule that permitted brandy only if you had been in actual combat with the enemy; our contention was that you needed it just as much after searches or combat air patrols when you could have been shot at and were fully expecting to be shot at almost any time.

Maybe 70 per cent of all the resentments and complaints were pointed in the general direction of the ship's captain. The foregoing complaint is a good example. Since we couldn't blame an unenlightened brandy policy on anyone else (the flight surgeon had tried hard), we had to blame it on the captain. Take all the specialized groups on that ship, multiply that by all the specialized interests they were trying to promote, and consider that most of these issues either would not and could not be resolved and would therefore be raised at least once a day every day at sea, and then you can understand why the captain spent so much time alone in his cabin.

equivalent necessity, had to press constantly for conformity. A kind of uneasy equilibrium of these opposing forces had to be maintained. The process of maintaining this equilibrium went on outside the framework of ship-board authority and organization.

3. **The pilots had to be aggressive**, had to act like they had authority over the organization, in order to keep this balance. It comes back to the basic question of who else the ship was serving but us. We had to keep reminding them that it was us. Otherwise the organization would have swamped us. One day we lost a pilot off the catapult. He just dribbled off and under the bow of our ship going 30 knots full tilt into the wind. Some one at some time who had had something to do with that catapult had fouled up. Our squadron skipper was unforgettable that day. First he told off the ship's captain and then went straight down the line with everybody who had even a remote connection with that catapult. He never did find out who was responsible, but we didn't have any more catapult failures on that cruise, either. In bullying and antagonizing the ship's officers and crew, we were really protecting ourselves. We were acutely conscious of the fact that the ship, just like the pilot, was capable of disastrous error. Usually these errors hurt us.

4. **In spite of the pilots' sensitivity** about ship domination and direction, the last thing we really wanted was authority over the ship and the responsibilities attached thereto. Long before, the Navy had decided that this wouldn't work. Their reasons: (a) It took too long to train good pilots who were also skilled and knowledgeable about engines and electronics and the supervision

and organization of human activity. So they chose to concentrate on training good pilots. (b) The mission to be accomplished was so important that it was absolutely imperative that we be made a part of a much larger organization that keyed into large strategies and objectives.

(c) They had to free us of any distraction that might interfere with the execution of our primary function. The pilots didn't argue with this. We felt we already had enough responsibilities. As stated, what we really wanted was good service.

## What the Men in Command Were Really Asking Was Help in Solving Their Problems — and in This They Were Asking Too Much

Granting the organization its power and influence, then we had a right to expect decisiveness from the captains and admirals who held this power in custody. In other words, the last thing we really wanted was weakness and permissiveness from the men in top command. Since no decision of any importance was easy, these men had to have courage. To make up for some of my slanderous remarks, I would like to say that the Navy had a good quota of command officers equal to these decisions. If I had the time I could tell some good stories about them. Suffice it to say that long after most of the pilots' exploits have lost shape and significance, certain command decisions still live in my book as the most heroic acts of the whole war.

The pilots would never be, and could never be, members of a Navy shipboard "team" in any literal sense. This does not imply that cooperation with the ship was not important or necessary. It means only that the effort to get us to accept a shoulder-to-shoulder relationship with the ship was representative of a kind of loose thinking in administrative circles that is so often self-defeating.

The point is this: The only real "team" relationship the pilots had was with the other pilots. This had meaning. When the fighters, dive bombers, and torpedo planes did what we called a coordinated attack on an enemy ship, and actually coordinated it, that was teamwork. This was something quite different from our relationship with taxi-men, wing folders, or mechanics. They had to accommodate themselves to us, like the trainer on a football team. Certainly it was important to work smoothly with them, but when they asked us to understand their problems and make their jobs easier — in the analogy, run interference for them — they were asking too much.

We were rightfully suspicious of this kind of "team" talk. It is significant that it was most prevalent on the worst ships. What the men in command really were asking was for help in solving *their* problem. They had to make a complex and sometimes unwieldy organization work; it was all too easy to blame its failures on the group upon which all activities focused.

Those who spent more time coordinating and perfecting these supportive activities had many less problems with the pilots. This is where administrative genius could have been used to good effect but usually wasn't.

It was a good thing the admirals and the captains never occupied themselves very seriously with the problems of human relations, of making their subordinates happy with their jobs and happy with each other. If they had gotten into this problem, we'd still be trying to win the war.



## New England Hospital Assembly Names Dr. Isadore S. Geetter President-Elect

BOSTON. — There is a simple solution to the puzzle of the disappearing third-day audience at three-day meetings, and the program planners of the New England Hospital Assembly found it. At the 26th annual assembly here March 23-25, they just scheduled the hottest subject for the afternoon of the last day — and there was the audience, filling all the chairs of the largest meeting room, and anxious to hear about the progress of Progressive Patient Care.

As it turned out, the delegates attending this session received an extra, unscheduled, dividend. Before the panelists embarked on their discussion, Dr. Elliott Joslin, renowned specialist in diabetes and founder of the Diabetes Foundation Clinic of New England Deaconess Hospital, proudly reported that the hospital had lowered its charges to the diabetic patients by a dollar a day. Dr. Joslin pointed out that this has been achieved because the patients, who come in for diagnosis and to learn how to control the disease, are ambulatory and able not only to care for their own needs and look after one another to a large extent, but also do a bit of "light housekeeping," such as making beds and carrying trays.

### Teaching Costs Less

He had requested permission to present his brief report at the session on progressive patient care because he considers the diabetes clinic a special form of progressive care. In conclusion, Dr. Joslin asked why it wouldn't be a good idea for all hospitals to have teaching clinics for patients in various categories who need teaching rather than nursing. Such clinics are considerably less expensive for both patients and hospital than bed care, as the experience at New England Deaconess has demonstrated, he said.

At the business session, Dr. Isadore S. Geetter, director of Mount Sinai Hospital, Hartford, Conn., was named president-elect of the assembly. Dr. Philip D. Bonnet, administrator of Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals, Boston, took office as president, succeeding Francis C. Houghton, Rutland Hospital, Rutland, Vt. Registration at the assembly totaled 5231.

The panel on progressive patient

care comprised Dr. Howard Lockward, of the medical staff, and Edward J. Thoms, administrator, of Manchester Memorial Hospital, Manchester, Conn., who came to explain what progressive patient care is, how it benefits patients and staff, and how it has developed and expanded at Manchester since its inauguration in 1957, and Eleanor Lambertsen, R.N., assistant secretary of the A.H.A. council on professional practice, and Dr. Ernest C. Shortliffe, associate executive director of Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., who came to ask questions as to the problems that were likely to be encountered, whether progressive care raised or lowered costs, how patients and staff react to it — and, in general, to stir up a discussion.

Neither Dr. Lockward nor Mr. Thoms contended that progressive patient care is the answer to all problems of patient care or costs, and they freely acknowledged that an immense amount of thought, planning and salesmanship were required to make the Manchester program work. They did point out that the plan has proved workable at Manchester and has been enthusiastically accepted by both patients and staff. The original plan of setting up three units, *i. e.* intensive care for acutely ill patients, intermediate care for those who are not so ill, and self-service for ambulatory cases, has been expanded to include a seven-bed unit for continuation care for the



New England Officers. Seated, left to right: President Philip D. Bonnet, M.D., and treasurer, Pearl R. Fisher; standing: President-Elect Isadore S. Geetter (left) and Wesley D. Sprague (right), secretary of the assembly.

chronically ill, and home care service, which is rendered in cooperation with the Manchester Public Health Nurses Association. These five units, the speakers explained, represent broad areas of patient care. In practice, they shade into one another and form a continuum of care based on medical need.

That progressive care is not the only problem to which the delegates were seeking answers was indicated by the large attendance at sessions on control of infections, financing nursing education, hospital costs and utilization, medical staff education, better patient care, and trustee responsibilities.

As is usually the case at New England assemblies, the trustees turned out in force to learn from other trustees and from administrators and such specialists as Dr. James P. Dixon, commissioner of the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, and Dr. Kenneth B. Babcock, director of the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals, how they can do a better job.

### The Patient of the Future

At the morning session, Dr. Dixon sketched a picture of the hospital patient of the future to give the trustees an idea of what hospitals of the future will have to be in order to meet the needs. Summarizing the general characteristics of the patient of the future, Dr. Dixon said:

"He will be more numerous, he will cluster in his own home around a metropolitan area, he will be older, he will be earning more money, he will be in more skilled occupations than at present, he will be physically larger, he will be mobile, and he will be living in continuously more homogeneous culture."

As to the diseases that will afflict this patient, Dr. Dixon pointed out that "unless new bacteriological or viral invaders make their appearance on the scene, our communicable diseases will soon be reduced to those of a relatively minor disabling character.

"At the same time, chronic diseases are assuming an increasingly dominant role in the health scene. Thus, at the turn of the century, chronic diseases accounted for 46 per cent of all deaths and acute diseases for 41 per cent. In 1955 chronic diseases accounted for 81 per cent of all deaths

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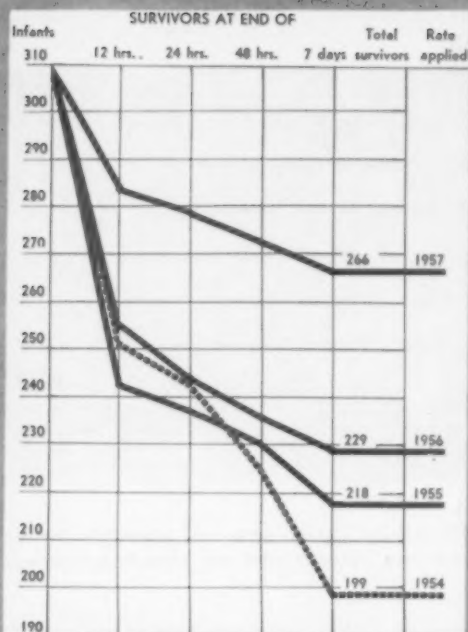


Fig. 1. Shows number of survivors if mortality rates of previous years had prevailed for 1957.

**The program of premature infant care described here reduced the mortality rate 50 per cent in a three-year period**

**Arthur W. Fleming, M.D.,  
and Isabelle Cody, R.N.**

## Premature care plan saved 60 lives

**G**OOD care of premature infants depends chiefly on coordination of the efforts of obstetrician, pediatrician and nurse, as well as those of the general practitioner, anesthesiologist and pathologist and the social service worker and dietitian. An interested hospital administration with the backing of the public health services, the parents and local organizations can then provide a community with good premature care.

Adequate medical supervision must be available, with hospital administration ready to back up the special regulations necessary. There must be teamwork and understanding of the highest order between physician and nurse.

The nurse must have sufficient authority and be capable of exercising it.

Among the problems are (1) the necessity of establishing a means of obtaining adequate help and (2) devising a plan for stimulating interest in younger nurses so that future replacements will be available. These problems must be well understood by the director of nurses as well as by the administration. The latter must be adequately informed concerning the special problems of premature care, and how success or failure in the premature nursery can affect the hospital as a whole. The furnishing of an adequate physical plan along with all necessary equipment is also the duty of

administration. Availability of proper counseling for the parents can help assure the infant of a good start in life.

Necessary changes were brought about at Little Company of Mary Hospital, Evergreen Park, Ill., by special training, conferences, new regulations, and a new physical plant.

The Sister in charge of the nursery took special training in premature care and induced some of the nurses to do likewise. Pediatric supervision was given by the late Dr. Edmund G. Lawler.

During these early days a set of regulations was worked out based on the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics committee on



Dr. A. W. Fleming

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Isabelle Cody

fetus and newborn. Conferences for obstetricians, general practitioners, and pediatricians were held under pediatric leadership. Finally the regulations were adopted by the departments of obstetrics and pediatrics and then by the general staff.

Simultaneously, the administrator arranged meetings with representatives of the state and county public health services.

As a result of these meetings and conferences a plan of premature care was developed for Little Company of Mary Hospital. This involved: (1) a change in the physical layout of the obstetrics and pediatrics departments. This included the establishment of three regular nurseries on the seventh and eighth (the obstetrics) floors and a separate isolated premature nursery on the ninth (pediatric) floor. (2) The application of new regulations for all nurseries with special regulations for the premature nursery with full administrative backing. (3) The establishment of adequate and interested medical supervision of both the general and premature nurseries. (4) Proper equipment for the premature nursery with isolation incubators, suction equipment, air conditioning, and oxygen outlets.

The first stage of implementing the plan involved transfer of premature infant care to a separate room adjacent to the regular nursery. Here the infants were under the care of a nurse specially trained in premature infant nursing. Medical direction was given by Dr. Lawler.

The next stage concerned the application of the new regulations to premature care in the hospital. With this, a pediatrician with special interest

Wt. in Gms.	Under 850	850-1000	1000-1500	1500-2000	2000-2500	TOTAL SURVIVORS AT VARIOUS INTERVALS			
TOTAL LIVEBORN INFANTS	9	6	35	71	183	309	295	280	270
12 hrs.	1	5	23	68	187	281			
24 hrs.	0	3	21	68	187	279			
48 hrs.	0	3	18	65	186	272			
7 days	0	3	18	61	184	266			
Survivors	0	3	18	61	184	266			
% of "	0%	50%	50%	86%	97.8%	86%			
Deaths	9	3	17	10	4	43			
% of "	100%	50%	48.5%	14%	2.2%	14%			

Fig. 2. Chart taken from 1957 statistics shows number of premature babies surviving at the end of various time intervals and per cent that survived.

and training in premature care was appointed physician-in-charge of the premature nursery.

During the period, the nursery was staffed with people who either had adequate training or had the capabilities of being trained in the department. They, as well as the medical staff, attended special educational events as well as many conferences.

Things were then ready for the move into the new premature department which was accomplished in July 1955. During the next few months, various adjustments were made among the nursing personnel and the medical staff.

Some personality differences among the nursing personnel were brought to the surface. Some nurses did not fully realize the seclusion of work in the premature nursery nor its complications, and were unable to get suffi-

cient satisfaction out of their work. For most nurses, great personal satisfaction is possible. Changes and adjustments were necessary and these were gradually worked out.

During development of the plan, the majority of the medical staff cooperated well. A few members were somewhat reluctant to accept the change. As time has demonstrated the improvement in infant care, these men have gradually accepted it. A proper training program for interns and residents was another aspect of the medical side of the program.

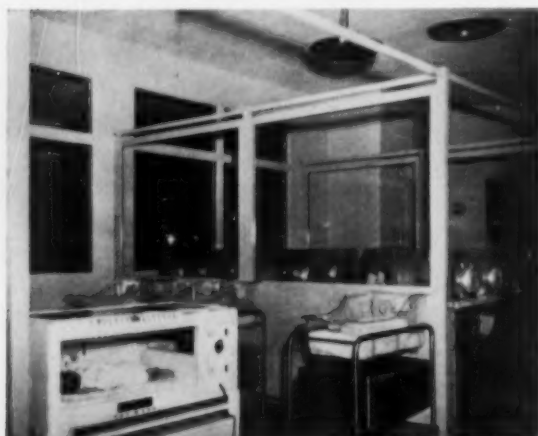
During this period the wholehearted backing given by the administration was most important. In fact, it is doubtful if the successful end result could have been achieved without it.

Attention was given to the study of special problems of care of prematures. Information was shared with the medical and nursing community by means of talks and medical exhibits.

Our plan provides for adequate medical and nursing care, minimum handling, restriction of contacts, and properly informed parents.

The nursing care of the premature infant consists of using a strict aseptic technic and close observation by a well trained nursing staff which realizes the importance to the infant of excellent technics.

All babies are received by the supervising nurse and placed in heated incubators (90° F.), full humidity with oxygen (30-40 per cent) on admission to the nursery. Oxygen concentration is checked every four hours with an



Premature nursery at Little Company of Mary Hospital. In background are special incubators that permit nurses and doctors to attend the baby through port-holes in the sides.

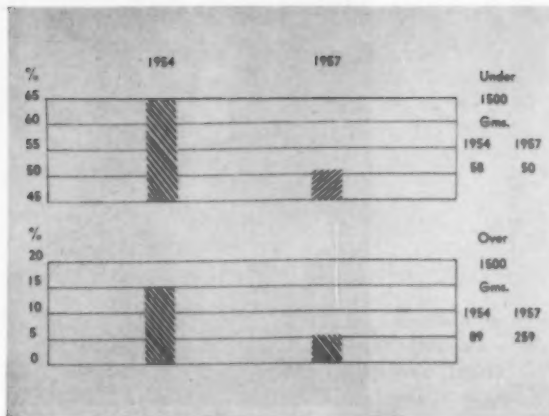


Fig. 3. Comparison of premature mortality rates for groups over and under 1500 grams for 1954 and 1957.

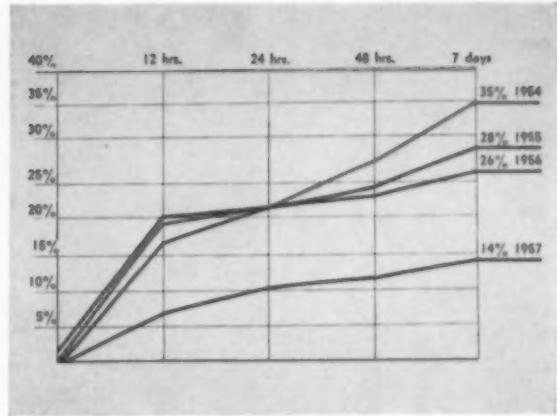


Fig. 4. Shows comparison of the premature mortality rates at the hospitals for years from 1954 to 1957.

analyzer and recorded. Infants in oxygen longer than 72 hours are removed gradually. A special mark on the incubator and chart designates an infant receiving oxygen.

A stomach lavage with normal saline is performed on each baby on admission to remove excess mucous from the stomach, and thus lessen chances of aspiration and hyaline membrane disease.

Temperatures are taken every eight hours and, except for the admitting rectal temperature, are taken in the axilla.

Time of starting the initial feeding depends entirely on the baby's condition and is usually between 24 and 72 hours after birth. Gavage feeding is used on all infants under 1500 gm. as well as on those having difficult respirations or a poor sucking reflex. The change from gavage to nipple is done when the infant is strong enough and is done very gradually. First, a very soft latex nipple is used, then a firmer nipple in preparation for discharge. Parents are advised to use well boiled nipples.

Bags containing one pound of rice are used in an effort to help shape the baby's head, which often becomes elongated early in life. These are placed on either side of the baby's head. This is started when the baby's condition warrants it and is used before feedings. It is usually continued during the hospital stay of the infant and may be continued longer after instructions are given to the mother.

It has been found practical as well

as beneficial to care for sick infants in isolation incubators without removing them from the premature nursery.

The relationship of the nurse to the parent is extremely important. It starts with the initial visit by the nurse to the mother after her baby has been admitted to the nursery. This usually follows the meeting of the mother with the obstetrician and pediatrician.

The nurse attempts to get to know the mother and gain her trust. This is necessary but sometimes difficult, since a woman may be jealous of a nurse who cares for her baby at a time when she cannot have it. The nurse emphasizes the fact that she cares for all the babies and attempts to give the mother the security and knowledge that she cannot replace mother love. This trust is fostered during the baby's stay in the hospital and later in telephone conversations and at visiting time. Considerable information is also obtained about family and home conditions. Interest in the parent and in details of the baby's progress help to establish it as a family member.

The baby's hospital stay is climaxed by a demonstration of bathing, feeding and general handling of a premature baby for the mother before she takes the baby home. If necessary, other visits are arranged to establish the mother's security. Reaction to the demonstration may help to estimate the best dismissal time for the baby.

From the medical standpoint, all infants under 5 pounds are transferred to the premature nursery and must be under the care of a qualified pediatri-

cian during their hospital stay. He cares for the infant within certain restrictions that have been accepted by the medical staff. The pediatric resident must see and evaluate each infant within an hour of the time it arrives in the nursery. He then writes preliminary orders and informs the pediatrician who is to care for the infant of these orders and of the condition of the baby. This pediatrician then assumes responsibility for the infant and is expected to see him within the first eight hours of life.

Discharge depends on: (1) the infant's reaching a weight of at least 5 pounds; (2) home conditions being adjudged satisfactory; (3) the mother's being sufficiently instructed to care for the infant. As previously stated, the nursery is in charge of a specially qualified pediatrician with special interest and training in the care of the premature infants and with sufficient authority and administration backing to enforce nursery regulations. In actual practice the use of this authority is now seldom necessary as our method of premature care is well accepted.

The accompanying graphs illustrate what occurred in the nursery during the four years 1954 through 1957.

The program of premature care as outlined has resulted in sufficient interest and cooperation to reduce the mortality rate by 50 per cent in the last three years as illustrated by the graphs. In other words, 60 infants lived in 1957 who would have died had the previous mortality rate prevailed. ■

Ambulance driver delivers  
suitcase-size incubator  
with premature infant. The  
two small tanks supply oxygen.



## Prematures gain in radiant-heated



As ambulance arrives at  
Babies Hospital, public  
health nurse checks  
transporting of her charge.

Still in the special portable  
incubator, the baby is  
transferred to the special  
premature nursery at hospital.





Deftly the nurses prepare  
to transfer premature  
infant to incubator with  
specially controlled atmosphere.

## incubators

**I**N THE suitcase-size incubator carried by the messenger shown in the pictures at left is a 1 pound 11 ounce infant on his way to the premature nursery of Babies Hospital, New York, where a radiant-heated incubator will keep his temperature on an even keel from minute to minute.

One of the latest devices designed to overcome a serious hazard to premature infants, this incubator is the special pride of Dr. William A. Silverman, director of the premature nursery. It provides a microclimate that is believed to come considerably closer to the ideal environment supplied by the mother's body than has heretofore been achieved.

### **Must Maintain Warmth**

"Just keeping prematures warm enough, but not too warm, has been the toughest part of the job," Dr. Silverman explains. "Few of these babies can live unless body temperature is maintained on an even keel and not one has the resources for temperature regulation. . . . Until recently we have not been able to provide minute-to-minute individual control of the temperature of the incubator to respond to the changing heat requirements of each infant. Now we think we have the thing licked."

In the radiant-heated incubators, the air is supplied at a controlled base temperature of 86° F., but this heat







Finally, infant is placed in incubator with supply of air tailored to his needs. Doctor checks through plastic "sleeves" in side.



supply is supplemented by special lamps. How the incubators work is described by Dr. Silverman as follows:

"The lamps, placed at the top of the incubator, provide radiant heat from the infrared band of the spectrum. In this way, the baby absorbs heat directly from the heat source, instead of taking it from a moving blanket of warm air. Another advantage is that the 'on-off' response to radiant heat is almost instantaneous.

"Each infant wears a temperature-sensing element attached to his abdomen. Through feed-back controls, this small wire activates an automatic shut-off of the infrared lamps the instant the baby's body temperature goes above a set level. Thus the device also provides automatic adjustment to varying levels of air humidity which affect the body's ability to lose or gain heat.

#### **Guarded by "Artificial Baby"**

"In each incubator there is an 'artificial baby' — an assembly of glass tubing enclosing a heat-sensitive element — which safeguards us against any flaw in the operation of this automatic temperature control system. If the temperature of the 'artificial baby' should go above the safety point, a red light and an alarm buzzer alert us to trouble."

Work on the automatic system of heat control has been done by Dr. Frederic J. Agate of the department of anatomy in cooperation with the manufacturers who supply the incubators, Dr. Silverman explained. This work has been aided by a grant from the Dunlevy Milbank Foundation.

The incubators, according to Dr. Silverman, have made it possible for the first time to keep premature infants at the normal body temperature of 98.6° F. It had not been possible to warm them up this much before, he explained, because they shot above this temperature point too quickly, at the risk of damage before the change could be detected.

Whether 98.6° F. is the best temperature for the prematures is a question as yet unsettled but Dr. Silverman and his associates expect to have an answer in a few months. It will come Dr. Silverman believes, as a result of the sort of objective, controlled studies in the premature nursery that have helped to open not only life but normal health to the premature infant. ■

# Good Training of Nurses Is Up to Doctors

**On the principle that doctors are partly to blame when nursing care is not all it should be, the medical staff of this hospital is working with the nursing faculty to help prepare students for their professional role, and its efforts are paying off in better interpersonal relations and improved nursing service**

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IN THE opinion of all too many physicians, nursing care of their patients is adequate but not what they wish it to be. This view is shared by patients. Why are they dissatisfied? Is it solely the fault of the nurse? Or are physicians also partly to blame? If the patient tells the physician he is unhappy with the care he is getting, it might be expected that the doctor will react unfavorably. If orders are not carried out, if the patient does not get the correct medication, or if a planned laboratory procedure is not done, the doctor can justifiably claim that the nursing service is deficient.

We must recognize that the opportunities for error in an area of complex personal service like nursing are enormous. At the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis, on a typical week day, we kept track of the numbers and types of one segment of nursing activities — the so-called "routine" procedures that nurses perform at the bedside. On that day there were 405 patients on the medical, surgical, obstetric and pediatrics services (chronic medical, rehabilita-

tion and psychiatric services were excluded). On that day members of the nursing department completed the following procedures:

Oral medications	2131
Hypodermic injections	268
Intramuscular injections	280
Parenteral fluids	64
Catheterizations	14
Enemas	52
Treatments (bladder irrigations, wet packs, Sitz baths, dressings)	576
Blood pressures	466
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This average of almost 10 procedures per patient, carried out for and with patients whose conditions varied from convalescent to moribund, does not include such activities as charting, taking temperatures, watching oxygen equipment, and the other demands on the nurse. The percentage of errors or deficiencies in relation to the total numbers of orders is low, and most of them are minor and can easily be covered or corrected by the doctor in charge. Surely the occasional mistake cannot by itself be the reason for the

physician's dissatisfaction with nursing care, unless he chooses to make it so.

Whether he chooses to magnify the occasional error, even though it may be minute, and whether he transmits knowledge of the error to the patient, depend on his attitude toward the nurse who was responsible. This attitude in turn is conditioned in part by his impression of the status accorded to him by nurses in general.

In assaying the factors that influence how physicians feel toward nurses, and how nurses react toward physicians, a good starting point is the school of nursing. The student enters school with enthusiasm and devotion, visualizing herself as a ministering angel ready to soothe a fevered brow, a woman in white helping the noble physician to nurse the desperately sick person back to health. This is the Florence Nightingale approach — this is the picture we sold her. It can be seen any time in promotional ads or on television. Remember, she is 17 or 18 years old and has just been graduated from high school. We consider the 17



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year olds in our own families and those of our friends pretty young and immature, and it is hard for us to realize that these nursing students, of whom we expect so much, are the same age.

Much of this enthusiasm is lost when she is assigned to a nursing unit, and is directed and molded by her instructors, by graduate staff nurses, by older (though not much older!) students, by full-time and voluntary attending physicians, and by the young doctors who comprise the intern and resident staff. She finds that she resembles a foreman more nearly than a comforter and healer. Practical nurses and aides now perform most patient comfort tasks. The duties of a student nurse now are principally administrative, revolving about the nursing station, or impersonal professional work, like preparing medication. But we never told the student that she would have to be an administrator and a technician when we recruited her, nor

did her early indoctrination in the school prepare her for such responsibilities.

Some student nurses, disillusioned, drop out. Others continue to graduation, with their minds made up to enter industrial, office, public health, or private duty nursing. And all too many graduate nurses who have survived the stern realities and are doing hospital nursing require only the additional rationalization of marriage or inconvenient hours of work or lack of parking facilities to leave the field entirely or to switch to one of the other types of nursing. Since the average age at marriage for women has dropped from 22 to 20 in recent years, many senior students are likely candidates for marriage and departure from the field just about the time they receive their diplomas.

If the young married graduate does stay in active nursing, there are competing demands upon her interests and

time. She is reluctant to assume the responsibility of the head nurse and the supervisor, vital links in the chain of command of nursing service, or to continue studies that would fit her for such a role.

And what sort of understanding does the nurse who makes a long-term career of her chosen profession receive from physicians? All too often, we hear physicians remark, "Years ago Miss So and So ran her floor with an iron hand and the nurses did everything just so." Or, "Years ago the nurses stood up when a doctor came to the desk. Maybe it would be best to start this again." Such memories of the past are often rose tinted with the passage of time. Senior physicians have no difficulty in visualizing the contrast in duties and actions of present-day interns with the situation when *they* were interns! Nursing service has changed as much as the procedures of medicine.

Physicians must bear their share of responsibility, too, for the increasing demands they make on the nurse in caring for their patients. Not only has the turnover of patients per bed increased, but also the medications used have multiplied rapidly and the number and intricacy of technical procedures have increased. The day when only a doctor could give an intramuscular injection or start an intravenous infusion is not far behind us; even taking a blood specimen was the province only of the physician. Now we use transfusions, electrolytes and various methods of oxygen administration, and to this oxygen we add many other inhalant medications. We are moving rapidly, in fact, into areas of specialized procedure and equipment on the "nursing" floors that are beyond the capabilities of a nurse with ordinary training to handle.

Our problem of physician-nurse relations is complicated by the dissatisfaction that today's patient has with the type of nursing care he receives. His image of a gentle ministering angel during his period of helplessness and pain quickly blurs. It has become apparent, from sociological and psychological studies, from reputable and documented articles in newspapers and magazines, and from personal exposures to patients and their families, that the patient is bewildered by a succession of functionaries who enter his room. Each individual comes to per-

### **You Ought To Watch Your Manners, Doctor**

How do we foster a good relationship between nurse and doctor? The nurse is being squeezed by many forces. Her personal contact with the patient is being taken away by nonprofessionals; the technician is replacing her in many areas; she is faced with a multitude of administrative and secretarial duties that she does not feel is her true role. The doctor is her potential ally if he will but understand her problems.

If three doctors come on the floor at one time, she cannot give undivided attention to each one at the same time. She can accompany only one while he makes rounds, and sometimes the only way she can avoid difficulties is by going with none.

The nurse is interested in the manifestation of disease. How many of us routinely show the nurse, student or graduate, the tumor we so carefully feel or let her listen to the murmurs we talk of so interestingly?

It is easy for us to forget the

level of education a student nurse has reached. The orders or the demonstrations given to a third-year student would not be suitable for a first-year student. This is a common complaint.

Do we treat the nurse with the dignity befitting her professional training? Have we said things in anger that should be left unsaid or have we, on the other hand, indulged in familiarity that should be deferred?

Many of us have been guilty of using the nurses' station as a forum from which to discuss our opinions and to condemn the activities of groups and individuals within and outside the hospital. Many of us have not hesitated to comment on the professional abilities of house officers or even our practicing colleagues. Some of us have even questioned nurses about their feelings toward their superiors. In doing so we lower ourselves or our colleagues in a nurse's eyes. We must exercise reasonable restraint if we expect to maintain her respect.

form a specific and discrete task: One takes his temperature; another gives him a bath; yet another clears the overbed or bedside table for the meal; while still another "passes" medications. And the same task may be done by different individuals in the course of 24 hours. The patient feels as if he is in a revolving door. He can find no one to whom he can cling as "my nurse." It is hard for him to get a sense of belonging when we substitute the whole nursing service for "my nurse."

The professional nurse is caught in the same revolving door. Her contacts with each patient are so temporary and compartmentalized that the patient is a room number and a disease; the individual does not shine through.

Here at the Jewish Hospital the medical staff advisory committee to the nursing service has addressed itself to the problem of keeping nurses in the hospital to care for patients. It has become convinced that an important part of the solution rests with physicians themselves: If they show understanding of the nurse's role, they will be able to foster a feeling of warmth in the nurse in her relationships with patients as well as doctors.

The committee has tried several approaches. Some concern changes in attitudes; some deal with improvements in the pattern of immediate care of the patient.

Members of the medical staff committee have met with the faculty of the school of nursing to work out methods of helping the student to understand and be prepared for her new role, to develop understanding of the patient's needs, and to meet these needs with warmth. In these efforts the committee has the help of professional sociologists and psychologists.

The school of nursing is now graduating students not only on their abilities but also on their sympathy and warmth and "outgoingness" to both patients and physicians. The student understands that this is a vital part of her training.

At the suggestion of the committee, a questionnaire was sent to all nurses who were graduated from this hospital's school of nursing or who have recently worked in this hospital, asking the nurse to tell us why she left here, if she did, or why she continues to work here, and how this hospital compares with other hospitals in the nurse-

## Questions and Answers on Group Nursing Service

### Can any patient be admitted to the service?

All except pediatrics, maternity, psychiatric or contagious.

### How is this service staffed?

Experienced nurses, regular employees of the hospital and responsible to the nursing department, constitute the "share the nurse" staff.

### What are the costs of this new nursing service?

For this individualized service, the patient pays the hospital at the rate of \$22 for 24 hour care.

### How much do I save?

Full-time private duty nursing costs \$48 for 24 hours of coverage. Group nursing saves you \$26 for each 24 hours of care.

### How am I admitted to a Group Nursing unit?

All reservations will be made by your physician.

### How long do I stay in this unit?

As long as your physician believes your condition warrants it.

hospital relationship. The answers have pointed out our strong points and our shortcomings.

The nursing service, with the advice of the advisory medical staff committee, has experimented with several variations of the traditional pattern of floor duty nursing care, prompted by the observation that on a general duty nursing floor, nurses tend to gravitate to the bedside of the one or two critically ill patients (even though the care the rest of the patients receive is reduced somewhat) for here the nurse can assume the role to which she aspired on entering training.

For students, the nursing service offers experience in "total nursing care" for selected seniors and juniors. In this program one nurse takes care of all the needs of four to six patients, including bathing, bedmaking, passing medications, and bringing in the meal-time tray. Patients and student nurses are pleased. The physician is aware of the student as an individual nurse, not as an impersonal, rarely seen technician.

We have also experimented with group nursing, whereby three patients are cared for by a graduate professional nurse on each shift. An extra charge is made which is about 50 per cent of the private duty rate. Group nursing has worked well for many acute medical and some major surgical conditions, and reactions from patients and physicians who have used it have

been overwhelmingly favorable. It is not the complete answer, however, for the patient who is so sick that he must be watched continuously, must have complete resuscitative and transfusion equipment immediately at hand, and cannot be left behind the closed door of his room. Moreover, it is a luxury service, beyond the reach of many patients. Nevertheless, group nursing, by bringing the nurse back to the bedside, has, in our opinion, contributed to the improvement of patient-nurse and nurse-physician relationships.

Along with a number of other hospitals, we have been studying the feasibility of "progressive patient care" and "intensive nursing care." For reasons that are beyond the scope of this report to detail, we do not believe that "progressive patient care" as has been described in the literature is easily adaptable to the voluntary hospital in a metropolitan setting, since it creates as many new problems as it solves old ones. We are thinking rather of expanding the type of intensive care already being given in the postanesthesia recovery room.

We believe that these efforts to prepare student nurses for their professional role, to remind the physician of the respect and understanding he owes the nurse, and to bring nurses back to immediate care of patients are paying off in improved interpersonal relationships among nurses and patients and nurses and physicians. ■





Above: Board members of Montclair Community Hospital report to the hospital administrator (seated at end of table) for assignment.  
Left: Board member, left, works at reception desk in the lobby.



Right: Board member assigned to pediatrics department introduces himself to small patient out for a stroll with his mother in the corridor.



## ***Trustees Work To Learn How the Hospital Works***

**M**EMBERS of the board of managers of Montclair Community Hospital, Montclair, N.J., learned what hospital employees do all day long by doing it themselves — and they loved every minute of it. Their lesson in how the other half works was an experiment devised by the hospital's director to help the trustees gain a better understanding of the hospital for which they are responsible.

As Katharine F. Skogsberg, the director, explained: "For about 10 years we have had an orientation session for new board members, which included a tour of the hospital and meeting the employees at work, but we have found it difficult to let the members, particularly the men, see the hospital as it operates in the middle of a busy weekday. For that reason we chose Lincoln's birthday, a holiday for them but not for the hospital."

Promptly at 9 o'clock on February 12, Mrs. Skogsberg reported, 19 of the 30 board members (both men and



Top: Encouraging a little girl to eat her lunch is part of the day's work for the trustee working in the dietary department. Center: Woman board member holds patient's doll and tries to lure child into conversation. Left: A patient explains to coordinator of volunteers how to work a puzzle.

Right: A member of the hospital's medical staff interprets x-ray films for the trustees. Below: Board member (right) watches treatment in outpatient department; and a board member (right) visits laboratory.



## TRUSTEES HAVE ADDED

women) presented themselves for their work assignments. They were given a brief program for the day, a list of the key employes of the hospital, name tags, and work clothes when uniforms were required. Each board member met his counterpart on the job and spent the next six hours with him. Lunch was served in the employees' dining room and each trustee had lunch with an employe in the department in which he was working.

At 3 p.m. all 19 board members gathered in the conference room with the director and assistant director of the hospital. Each completed his as-

Below, left: Trustee watches central supply supervisor place flasks in the sterilizer. Below, right: Two board members see how linens are handled.





Left: Bookkeeper explains machine accounting to two members of the board. Below: While the record librarian reads the microfilm, a board member chats with doctor; and a trustee studies fire safety.

## CONFIDENCE IN STAFF

signment by filling out a brief evaluation report. This was followed by a 30 minute discussion which was so lively, Mrs. Skogsberg said, "that it was hard to give everyone a turn to talk."

There was unanimous agreement that the day had been worth while. One trustee who had spent more than four hours in the operating room witnessing surgery said: "I feel this experience has increased my confidence in the staff and facilities of the hospital and I think this idea should be pursued more frequently so our board can become more familiar with the functions here." ■

Below, left: Board members go into a huddle about a boiler problem. Below, right: At the end of the day trustees evaluated their experiences.





# ABOUT PEOPLE

## Administrators



Dr. Rosenkrantz

Dr. Jacob Alvin Rosenkrantz has been appointed director of Beth Israel Hospital, Newark, N.J., effective August 1. He will succeed I. Ellis Behrman, whose retirement was announced in *The Modern Hospital* last month. Dr. Rosenkrantz is currently administrator of Albert Einstein Medical Center, Southern Division, in Philadelphia. He is a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, is a fellow of the American College of Physicians, and a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators. Before becoming affiliated with the Albert Einstein Medical Center in 1956, Dr. Rosenkrantz was director of professional services at the Veterans Administration Hospital, East Orange, N.J., for more than four years, and prior to that he served as assistant director of professional services at the V.A. hospital, Bronx, N.Y., and held various key posts in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II.

Daniel W. Hartman has retired as administrator of Williamsport Hospital, Williamsport, Pa. He will continue as executive director of the development program and consultant to the board. Prior to his appointment as administrator, Mr. Hartman was superintendent of the Lycoming County Institution District. He is a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators. Paul G. Wedel, assistant administrator for the last five years, has been named to succeed Mr. Hartman. He is a graduate of the program in hospital administration at Northwestern University. Mr. Wedel is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators. He will be succeeded by Robert L. Engel, formerly administrative assistant at Cincinnati General Hospital, Cincinnati. He has a master's degree from the Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh.

J. Russell Shawver has been appointed to the newly created post of

assistant hospital administrator of White Memorial Hospital, the Los Angeles teaching hospital of the College of Medical Evangelists. Formerly patients' business manager at Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital, Glendale, Calif., Mr. Shawver will receive a master's degree from the University of Chicago in June.

Frederick R. Wolf has been appointed administrative services director, Philadelphia General Hospital, Philadelphia. He was formerly administrator of Children's Hospital, Fort Worth, Tex.

Dr. Benjamin G. Dinin has been appointed director of Grasslands Hospital, Valhalla, N.Y., succeeding Dr. Edwin L. Harmon, who has retired. Dr. Dinin was general medical superintendent of the New York City department of hospitals.



R. E. Heerman

Ritz E. Heerman, executive vice president of the Lutheran Hospital Society of Southern California, died April 23 at the age of 67 following a brief illness. Mr. Heerman, a past president of the American Hospital Association and several regional hospital groups, had been with the society since its origin 40 years ago. The society owns and operates California Hospital, Los Angeles, and Santa Monica Hospital, Santa Monica, in addition to operating Donald N. Sharp Memorial Community Hospital, San Diego. Mr. Heerman had for years served prominently on many local, regional and national hospital committees, particularly those concerned with insurance and legislation. A former A.H.A. trustee and a past chairman of the A.H.A. Council on Administrative Practice, Mr. Heerman also helped organize Hospital Service of Southern California (Blue Cross), serving as president of that group for eight years.



Martin Saren

Martin Saren has been appointed administrator of Long Island Jewish Hospital, New Hyde Park, N.Y. He had been acting director of the hospital since December 1957. A member of the American College of Hospital Administrators, Mr. Saren first served the hospital as assistant director. Prior to that he was assistant director of Grasslands Hospital, Valhalla, N.Y. He has a master's degree in hospital administration from the University of Minnesota.

W. Boyd Jones has been appointed administrator of Anniston Memorial Hospital, Anniston, Ala., succeeding controller George Schneider, who has been acting administrator since the resignation of Harold Wetzel. Mr. Jones has been administrator of South-eastern Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Corbin, Ky.

Osmund H. Webster has been named assistant administrator at Children's Medical Center, Dallas. He is a graduate of the Washington University hospital administration program.

John C. Neal has been appointed administrator of Jackson Hospital, Jackson, Ala. He has been administrative assistant at Crawford W. Long Hospital, Atlanta. He is a graduate of the Georgia State College course in hospital administration.

A. Robert Crawford Jr. has been named assistant administrator of City Hospital, Springfield, Ohio. Recently discharged from the air force, Mr. Crawford was medical service administrator of the hospital at Keesler Air Force Base, Keesler, Miss., since March 1956. He is a graduate of the Yale University program in hospital administration.

Dr. Harold William Conran has been appointed superintendent of Western State Hospital, Hopkinsville, Ky., succeeding Dr. R. G. Blackwelder, who died recently. Dr. Conran has been director of professional services for the department of mental health since last August.

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# Ontario Plan Aims at Solvent Hospitals

**The new insurance plan for the province of Ontario  
is expected to improve the financial status of hospitals,  
according to this article by the plan's director**

**David W. Ogilvie**

THE government sponsored hospital insurance plan inaugurated this year by the Ontario Hospital Services Commission, a special body created to coordinate hospital services and administer hospital insurance in the province, is a combination compulsory-voluntary premium scheme. Some 5,300,000 persons, over 90 per cent of the population, are participating. Previously, about 72 per cent of the population had some degree of voluntary hospital insurance and more than half of these were in Blue Cross.

Ontario is not the only province of Canada with a government sponsored hospital insurance plan; nine of Canada's 10 provinces now have signed, or indicated willingness to sign, agreements with the federal government under which the government is sharing on a formula basis in the cost of hospital insurance in the provinces.

Under the formula, the federal government agrees to pay to each province a portion of "shareable costs" amounting to:

1. Twenty-five per cent of the aver-

age per capita costs of hospital services in Canada as a whole, plus

2. Twenty-five per cent of the average per capita costs in the province itself, multiplied by the population covered.

Three provinces of Canada — Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan — have had provincially sponsored plans for some years without federal sharing in the cost. Since July 1, 1958, the date set for the introduction of the national program, the federal government has been contributing to the cost in these provinces.

The Ontario Hospital Services Commission was established by Act of the Provincial Legislature in April 1956 with two basic terms of reference:

1. To ensure the development throughout Ontario of a balanced and integrated system of hospitals and related health facilities.

2. To establish a plan of hospital care insurance in accordance with an agreement between the government of Ontario and the government of Canada.

These terms of reference are in logical order as no hospital plan can function adequately without a proper supply of hospital beds and other necessary services. It should be pointed out, however, that the commission is not taking over the hospitals of the province. Its function is one of guidance, licensing and approval. The hospitals will remain locally sponsored community institutions, dependent upon community support.

The commission, among its many and varied activities, will retain a staff of highly qualified consultants in nursing and other technical specialties whose services will be available to any hospital requesting advice in specific areas of administration.

The problem of hospital beds and facilities, of course, is a continuing one. Ontario, like other provinces in Canada, has been going through a vigorous program of hospital expansion since 1948, aided and given impetus by federal and provincial matching grants toward hospital construction. This program was given a heartening transfusion early this year when these grants were doubled by both governments. Previously each government paid \$1000 per bed toward the construction of acute hospitals. Now, owing to greatly increased construction costs, these grants are \$2000 from each government for a total of \$4000 per bed. Administration of these grants is under the commission, through its hospital services branch. By guiding present and future construction and conducting a continuing program of research, it should accom-



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plish much toward the achievement of a balanced and integrated system of hospitals over the years to come.

In developing the hospital insurance plan it was the policy of the government of Ontario that all concerned with and interested in the implementation and effects of such a plan would be given an opportunity to put their views before the legislative standing committee on health. Much came out of the meetings of this committee of distinct assistance in the drafting of regulations under which the insurance plan is operating and the commission is also indebted for subsequent assistance from many hospital, medical, insurance, business and labor organizations.

The plan is universally available to all residents on a premium basis at uniform rates of \$2.10 a month for a single person and \$4.20 a month for families. The family rate covers husband, wife, and all unmarried, unemployed children under age 19. It also covers children age 19 or over who are financially dependent because of physical or mental infirmity. Premium income will represent approximately one-third the total cost of the plan in 1959, which is projected at about \$210 million.

#### **Full Benefits at Ward Level**

It is a basic plan providing full benefits at the standard ward level. Although it provides benefits for all the hospital care which is medically necessary, the plan does not cover any outpatient services except emergency hospital care within 24 hours of an accident; neither does it provide benefits for admissions solely for diagnostic services which could have been performed on an outpatient basis.

Co-insurance deterrents were carefully studied by the commission but it was decided to omit them, initially at least. Deterrents rest on a premise of doubtful validity — that is, that only the poor, to whom co-insurance is a real deterrent, abuse the privileges. Again, deterrents are a contradiction of the fundamental principles of hospital insurance, namely the prepayment of hospital costs while well. Also considered was the fact that deterrents would weigh most heavily on those who require long-term hospitalization and who, perhaps, can least afford them. Finally there was the fact that a large proportion of the people, being

insurance minded, would find a way to insure privately against the deterrents and thus nullify their value.

In providing benefits the plan pays the hospitals' operating costs but *not* capital costs. To establish per diem rates for benefits, the hospitals are required to submit budgets to the commission for the ensuing year. By dividing the estimated total operating costs by the projected number of patient days care to be covered, the commission rate board arrives at an "all-inclusive" daily rate which will be paid by the plan for insured services. The same rate must also be charged to uninsured patients. In computing costs, hospitals include the cost of semiprivate and private care and 50 per cent of the rate charged for these preferred accommodations is deductible from operating costs — the other 50 per cent may be retained by the hospitals and used for any desired purpose.

#### **Submitted "Dry-Run" Budget**

To help the hospital become accustomed to the preparation of these budgets, each hospital was requested, in 1957, to submit a "dry run" budget for the year 1958. At the time this article is being prepared, budgets for the year 1959 are being examined by the commission rate board. In studying the budgets for approval, the commission will be in a position to compare costs between comparable hospitals in comparable situations. This should prove beneficial to some hospitals as these comparisons will enable them to benefit from the experience of other hospitals if there are areas of their operation where costs are out of line. The standard ward rate struck for each hospital will be tentative. Each hospital's experience will be reviewed each year and, where necessary, retroactive adjustments, up or down, will be made.

Under the agreement between Ontario and the federal government, the federal government does not share in the cost of hospital care provided in tuberculosis sanatoriums and provincial mental hospitals. It was the wish of the provincial government, however, that these benefits be included in the insurance plan. Therefore, the whole cost of this service is being absorbed without federal contributions.

The commission will occupy the entire field of standard ward hospital insurance in Ontario. Private prepay-

ment plans and insurance companies may sell additional coverage, such as insurance for the difference between standard ward and semiprivate or private accommodation, and medical benefits.

The citizens of Ontario have been accustomed to insuring themselves up to the semiprivate level. This has been the experience of all plans and particularly of Blue Cross, which always had from 70 to 75 per cent of its participants enrolled for semiprivate coverage. Also, this was a field for continuing service by private insurers, many of whom have seized the challenge to make many forms of supplementary coverage available to the people. In an effort to make a one-premium package available to the people, the commission offered, at cost, to collect premiums for supplementary hospital insurance and administer benefits for any prepayment plan or insurance company which desired to enter into an agreement with the commission for such service.

It was not possible, of course, for the commission to offer to collect premiums for insurance other than that to cover the semiprivate or private differential. Two prepayment plans have taken advantage of this offer, the Ontario Hospital Association's Blue Cross Plan and the Credit Union Mutual Benefit Association. Selling and servicing the semiprivate supplement is the responsibility of the insurer; the commission handles only the collection of premiums and the administration of benefits. Blue Cross and C.U.M.B.A. will issue their own checks to hospitals for supplementary services.

#### **Prevents Over-Insurance**

The plan will rule out over-insurance — a long-standing insurance problem. With the introduction of the plan, residents may have hospital insurance only for the amount actually paid for their care. The commission plan will cover the basic services, and residents may recover only the difference *paid* for preferred accommodation. Also, it is no longer legal for a resident to buy loss-of-income insurance which is contingent upon being a patient in hospital. For example, a resident may insure for payments when he is off sick, but such payments may not be increased because he is hospitalized.

In short, following the introduction

of the plan, it will no longer be financially profitable to be a patient in a hospital, and the benefits of this restriction should be reflected in incidence of admission and length of stay. In the absence of co-insurance and deterrents, the commission considers it important that no residents go to the hospital over-insured.

Participation in the plan is compulsory for all residents employed where there are 15 or more on the payroll — voluntary for all other residents. This combination compulsory-voluntary policy was adopted because of the difficulty in enforcing a completely compulsory premium program. To do this would require a very complicated system of bailiffs for collection of premiums. It was decided, therefore, to make the plan mandatory only where this could be enforced — i.e. with the employed groups; and the fact that no other basic hospital insurance would be available was an incentive to voluntary participation!

#### **Provided for Needy Persons**

Insurance without payment of premiums is being provided for needy persons in receipt of Provincial Public Assistance. In Ontario, the Department of Public Welfare, through an agreement with the Ontario Medical Association, has, for many years, provided free out-of-hospital medical services for certain recipients of public assistance through a medical welfare plan. These recipients include persons between age 65 and 69 who qualify to receive benefits under the Old-Age Assistance Act, needy persons age 70 or over who have passed a means test, persons who receive benefits under the Blind Persons' Allowances Act, the Mothers' and Dependent Children's Allowances Act, and the Disabled Persons' Act.

These welfare recipients will also receive hospital insurance without payment of premiums. The same applies to children in certain children's institutions and children under the care of children's aid societies approved under the Child Welfare Act. In all, some 150,000 residents are insured in this way as recipients of public assistance.

Medical necessity is the only criterion to determine eligibility for hospital benefits. This, of course, places control of the utilization of the plan largely in the hands of the medical

### **Provincewide Campaign Educates Public**

To launch the insurance plan it was necessary to enter into a provincewide advertising and publicity program so that all residents would be aware of the benefits and provisions of the plan. Some idea as to the scope of this program is obtained when it is realized that Ontario is a very large province of 412,582 square miles (about 1½ times the size of Texas, but smaller than Alaska) and its people, though more or less concentrated in the central and highly industrialized southern parts of the province, are widely scattered in the northern regions where they are engaged in such occupations as mining, manufacturing of pulp and paper, lumbering and trapping.

In addition to supplying literature and other enrollment aids to employers and other prospective groups, the commission made Pay-Direct applications widely available in banks, hospitals and post offices throughout the province. Supporting this was an extremely broad educational program employing all mass media — daily and weekly newspapers, foreign language newspapers (some 17 different languages), farm papers, radio, television, outdoor posters, and interior and exterior transit cards. The program was spread over a period of 10 weeks, from the last week in July to the end of September, and during that period hospital insurance was one of the main topics of conversation in Ontario.

In addition to the paid announcements, news media re-

ceived an information kit which contained releases on various phases of commission activities and the plan in particular. The development and introduction of the plan have been important news in Ontario ever since concrete steps were taken to launch it, therefore a great deal has been published about it. By far the greater part of the comment has been in support of the program.

Further public education was carried out by the commission's staff of some 50 field representatives, mainly recruited from the Blue Cross enrollment staff, who traveled the length and breadth of Ontario making personal calls on employers, speaking to such groups as Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions Clubs, Home and School Associations, and Women's Institutes, and answering hundreds of questions.

No mention of the provincewide education program would be complete without a reference to an informational film which was produced to help take care of the requests for speakers on the subject. A specially produced combination narrative and interview film of about 26 minutes in length was in great demand all during the spring and summer months. Taking into account the large number of organizations that requested it, and the fact that it was shown over all television stations, and that a recorded version of the audio portion was broadcast by all radio stations, it is doubtful if there are many residents of the province who have not either seen the film or heard the radio broadcast.



profession and it is gratifying that the Ontario Medical Association is giving leadership to the establishment of three types of medical staff committees in hospitals:

1. Admission and discharge committee
2. Utilization of diagnostic services committee
3. Pharmacy committee

It will be readily seen that organized medicine in Ontario has a firm grasp on the doctor's responsibility as the only authority who can determine medical necessity. In light of this, the Ontario Medical Association is extending every assistance in helping the doctors work together to ensure the effectiveness of the insurance plan.

Three types of group registration were employed. First, there were the mandatory groups of all persons employed where there are 15 or more on the payroll; second, employers with six to 14 on the payroll were given the option of electing to form mandatory groups for their employees and, third, collector group facilities were made

available to organizations of persons who are not on a common payroll, such as professional associations, rural medical cooperatives, credit unions, craft unions, and other groups which could meet the commission's requirements. The commission offered to enter into agreements with any such group, under which agreements it was to be understood that the organization could not make a charge for the handling of insurance premiums, that remittances to the commission would be on a monthly basis, and that the person responsible for handling the group would be bonded. Although no fee may be charged for collecting the premiums, the groups are permitted to collect annual premiums in advance and remit monthly to the commission.

The most notable example of collector groups is found in the medical cooperatives which operate in the rural areas. These organizations, for the past 10 or 15 years, have been selling hospital and medical insurance to the various counties they serve. Now that their hospital insurance has

been replaced by the commission plan, it was to their advantage to act as collectors for the commission hospital insurance and also sell their medical benefits to their members as part of a "package" deal. All 34 medical cooperatives in the province are acting as collectors and, in this way, not only assisting their own cause and helping the commission reach the farm population, but also affording the rural people a convenient method of paying their hospital insurance premiums.

The commission has been extremely fortunate in having a close relationship with the Ontario Hospital Association which not only represents the hospitals as a voluntary association, but also, as previously mentioned, operates the Blue Cross Plan. The association's large and efficient Blue Cross Plan was a tailor-made organization with the personnel and equipment needed for administration of the commission plan. Were it not for this fact, it would have been much more difficult to attempt the enrollment of more than 5 million residents and to plan for handling the vast number of billings, records and hospital claims which will come with the launching of the plan.

### How Medical Staff Committees Function

The terms of reference suggested for the admission and discharge committee include:

1. Local survey of available beds with particular reference to those which might meet the requirements for acceptance as convalescent and chronic beds under the plan.
2. Review of admissions and the development of classification of admissions by categories such as emergency, semiemergency, elective, and so on.
3. Review of length of patient stay and the development of methods to expedite discharge of patients on an equitable basis.

The terms of reference for the utilization of diagnostic services committee include:

1. Review utilization of each diagnostic service per hundred

admissions for a five-year period to develop a graph of utilization over that period.

2. Starting in 1959, compare utilization per hundred admissions on quarterly basis with developed graph. If there is abnormal utilization, review utilization on individual doctor basis.

3. Act as review committee in cases that are questioned by the hospital services commission as to eligibility for coverage of diagnostic services.

The pharmacy committee would:

1. Review utilization and cost of drugs on a quarterly basis and develop graph.
2. If utilization or cost appears abnormal, do a breakdown on individual doctor basis.

### Will Work for Commission

A high percentage of the Blue Cross staff is progressively being taken over by the commission and by the end of 1958 virtually all these personnel were scheduled to be on commission work. Actually, the staff of just under 500 which Blue Cross employed for an enrollment of about 2,250,000 will be increased to about 700 to handle the commission's additional 3 million-odd residents. The relative cost of administration, however, should not be as high as the extremely low Blue Cross operating costs of about 5 per cent of premium income, as the commission plan will deal with a much greater volume and employ many additional mass techniques.

The primary effect of Ontario Hospital Insurance will be on the financing of hospital care in this province. For the first time hospitals will be paid the actual operating cost of providing their services.

With more than 90 per cent of the population insured, the areas for possible loss of revenue will be at a minimum and the fact that hospitals are permitted to include in their budgets

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**Courtesy staffs as they are now organized serve no valid purpose, says the author. They should be realigned into two groups — a visiting staff of qualified, competent men and an "assistant" staff of those whose work needs supervision**

## ***What Should We Do About Courtesy Staffs?***

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**W**HY have a courtesy medical staff? This is a question asked with increasing frequency by physicians, particularly those who bear the brunt of hospital committee work, and by administrators who must try to allot too few beds among too many physicians. The same question is voiced by some members of the courtesy staff who resent their frequent lack of prestige and their usual last chance at the empty bed. If such is the general unhappy feeling, why, indeed, have a courtesy staff?

Undoubtedly, this same question must have bothered the hospital planners, when they first charted the course of medical staff organization. Having laid down the neat and reputable categories of honorary, consulting, active and associate staffs, these pioneers probably found themselves with a group of physicians who failed to fit into the other molds and for whom a special category must be created. This was the courtesy medical staff, whose very name implies the favor being conferred upon this group, a sentiment confirmed by the official definitions which were established to describe the divisions of the staff.

The *honorary* medical staff were nonactive physicians of outstanding reputation; the *consulting* medical staff were recognized specialists; the *active* staff determined staff policy and were the only group eligible to vote or to hold office; the *associate* staff were the heirs apparent to the active staff; the *courtesy* medical staff were those

who desired to attend patients in the hospital but who, for some reason not disqualifying, were ineligible for another category of the staff. They were also the one group named specifically as a warning of the fate of erring associate members, who must attend a majority of medical staff meetings "under penalty of reverting to the courtesy medical staff."

It went even further than this; into the official literature crept the suggestion that the courtesy staff be the repository of those "who because of personality or temperamental difficulties might, if members, bring disharmony into the active staff." And finally, it was advocated openly by those in authority that beds be assigned first to the patients of the other divisions of the staff, the courtesy staff receiving the remainder, if any. By definition and by custom the prestige, privileges and responsibilities of the courtesy medical staff have been established at a level considerably lower than those of the other staff categories. This has been the cause of frequent friction.

This is not to imply that all courtesy medical staffs are a source of discontent and frustration to all concerned. There are many hospitals the courtesy staffs of which function effectively, harmoniously and to the satisfaction of the active staff, the administration, and the members of the courtesy staff. But, in general, certain unique circumstances attend these particular hospitals and are responsible for this happy situation. These are: sufficient beds in the community to accommodate the patients of all divisions of the

staff; the eminent qualifications and unlimited privileges of most of the members of the courtesy staff; and their secure, active membership in other hospitals in the community.

These circumstances are wanting in the community where the beds are scarce, where the courtesy staff members are generally without specialist qualifications and their privileges consequently limited, and where they have no active staff membership in any hospital. This situation widely prevails, particularly in the large metropolitan areas, as was demonstrated by the 1951 report upon the hospital appointments of physicians in the five boroughs of New York City. This study showed that approximately one-third of the then 17,703 licensed physicians in New York City either had no formal hospital connections of any kind or had incomplete appointments, that is, ward or outpatient privileges only or courtesy privileges only for private patients. While similar studies have not been published for other metropolitan areas, it is our experience that the same conditions exist generally in the large cities. On the other hand, in the smaller communities, and in particular those with one or two hospitals only, the problem is quite different, as most, if not all, of the physicians belong to the active staffs of either or both hospitals.

Actually, the courtesy medical staff is but one aspect of the broad and vexatious problem of hospital privileges for physicians, a problem which has no simple solution and which is complicated by such factors as the

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## Recommendations for Upgrading Courtesy Staffs

1. Abandon the odious term "courtesy" medical staff. It carries the connotation of inferiority and is beneath the dignity of the medical profession.

2. In place of the "courtesy" medical staff, establish two categories which recognize the different talents and needs of those physicians who have been lumped together in the "courtesy" staff in the past.

Into one group, designated as the "visiting" staff or by any other term desired, put those physicians of eminent qualifications and proven competency who hold active staff appointments elsewhere. Extend to them the privileges of beds, when available, but do not require them to attend staff meetings or to participate in medical staff organizational matters.

Into the second group named, perhaps, the "assistant" medical staff, place those physicians with limited privileges and those newly appointed staff members who are serving a period of probation. Require this group to attend medical staff or departmental meetings on the same basis as the active staff and the associate staff, which also should observe meeting requirements; place the "assistants" on the

various medical staff committees; see that they participate in the activities of the hospital, and give them bed privileges on a par with the active or associate staffs.

3. Adopt the attitude that the work of *every* member of the staff, and not just those in the "assistant" medical staff, needs to be evaluated continuously. Conscientious, ethical physicians with restricted privileges can do as competent work, within their limited fields, as can the most renowned specialists within their wider fields of practice.

4. Strive to be objective and impartial in the admission of young, well qualified physicians who desire to establish a practice in the community. The needs and facilities of the hospital and the community, and not the fear of competition, should count in the evaluation of their qualifications.

5. On the credentials committee of the medical staff, place the staunchest and most judicious physicians. Let them judge the appointment and the continued privileges of every physician upon the basis of training, experience, demonstrated competence, character and willingness to abide by the constitution and by-laws of the hospital.

type, size and location of the hospital, the number of beds available in the community, the number of physicians in the area and their qualifications, and the willingness of established staff members to admit well qualified physicians to the staff. In addition, the degree to which the hospital is organized to assure the highest standards of patient care influences the composition of the medical staff.

The hospital with effective medical staff organization will have committees to assess the qualifications of applicants and to recommend or deny privileges depending upon the qualifications of the individual and to promote or demote physicians according to the circumstances. The organized medical staff will have specific categories of staff positions, each of which will carry certain well defined duties and

responsibilities. Of these categories, the active medical staff has traditionally carried the major portion of the work load in medical administrative matters, in the maintenance of the adequacy of patient care, and in the teaching of interns and residents. It is not strange that in return for these efforts, the active staff should regard its efforts as worthy of some special consideration as it relates to bed availability and to authority within the medical staff. Nor is it hard to understand why the administration of the hospital, which must rely on the active staff for the proper conduct of medical affairs, is usually sympathetic toward these feelings of the active medical staff. All of these factors influence the availability of staff positions, the categories assigned, and the types of privileges granted.

Generally, the one factor that counts the most in determining appointments to the medical staff is the availability of beds in the hospital. Where beds are abundant, privileges, including courtesy staff appointments, are easy to obtain; where beds are not sufficient to fill the needs of the present staff, the reverse is usually true. In some areas this latter circumstance has led the staff and the administration to limit the size of the medical staff to fit the facilities of the hospital. This causes resentment and hardship among physicians who are unable to obtain staff appointments, but the right of a hospital to determine its own needs and objectives and to organize its medical staff accordingly cannot be seriously disputed. This is precisely what is done in the "closed" hospital, in which all professional services are provided and controlled by the attending or active staff and in which there is no courtesy medical staff. It is a pattern observed by our medical school hospitals and has indisputable advantages for the treatment of patients and for the training of interns and residents.

But an alleged shortage of beds or a theoretical desire to improve standards by limiting the size of the staff should not be used by the medical staff as a blind to stifle competition from well qualified young doctors who desire to establish their practices in the community. In "open" hospitals, those which have courtesy medical staffs, with adequate beds, staff positions must be found for competent physicians in order to ensure an adequate supply of doctors for the needs of the community. It is to be expected, of course, that the work of the new staff member will be evaluated carefully for a time sufficient to establish his competence; it is also to be hoped that he will receive such supervision with good grace and will not attempt to show his superiority, real or imagined, over his mentors. This does happen, and it is just one more factor that complicates membership on the courtesy staff and makes it distasteful to all concerned.

No broad discussion of the problem of hospital privileges for physicians can disregard the question of the alleged right of every licensed physician to hold privileges in some category of the medical staff of the hospital in his community. Two main arguments

have been advanced by proponents for this hypothesis:

**1. The hospital is the postgraduate school of the physician who needs its educational opportunities in order to serve his patients best.** This argument, of course, assumes that the physician's work will be carefully and constantly evaluated, that he will be advised of the results of his treatment, and that he will participate actively in the administrative and clinical activities of the medical staff of the hospital.

#### **Don't Pertain to Courtesy Staff**

All of these essential conditions usually do not pertain to the courtesy staff, whose members are denied effective participation in the activities of the staff. Moreover, it must be obvious that the member of the courtesy staff who treats only an occasional patient in the hospital, who attends no medical staff meetings, and who is not required to participate in the clinical activities of the staff obtains little, if any, educational advantage from his appointment. As a matter of fact, there is evidence that members of the courtesy staff know less about medical administrative affairs than other divisions of the medical staff do and that such knowledge is directly proportional to the frequency with which they visit the hospital.

**2. The personnel of the hospital (interns, residents and nurses) will benefit from contact with all physicians in the community.** This argument presupposes that contact with large numbers of people automatically improves the scientific knowledge and the training of doctors and nurses. As a matter of fact, such contact may result in the hospital personnel's seeing a larger amount of bad work than good, particularly in institutions with inadequate controls of medical practice and may be distinctly harmful to the student.

Actually, the arguments for the right of every licensed physician to have hospital privileges disregard the well established legal and moral responsibility of the governing board of the hospital to exercise due and reasonable care in appointments to the medical staff. Only by its right to exclude licensed physicians who are considered unqualified professionally can the governing board be held responsible for the care of hospital patients. Licensure by the state should

no more guarantee privileges than should certification by an American specialty board. Privileges in the hospital should be based upon the training, experience, demonstrated competence, and character of the individual physician and upon his willingness to abide by the constitution and by-laws of the hospital.

In any hospital that serves the best interests of the patient, effective standards of medical staff organization must be established and enforced. One such standard, the value of which has been demonstrated by more than 40 years' experience in the standardization or accreditation of hospitals, is the requirement for regular meetings of the medical staff to discuss the quality of care given to patients in the hospital.

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals presently requires a 50 per cent attendance of the active staff only at the various staff or departmental meetings. This, of course, does not benefit the courtesy medical staff whose members do not attend and who are the very group in need of education and participation in the activities of the staff.

The exclusion of the courtesy medical staff from compulsory attendance has had a wholly unexpected effect upon membership in this group in certain areas where physicians find it necessary to hold membership in more than one hospital. Physicians are accepting active staff membership in one hospital and courtesy privileges in the others. This requires attendance at the staff meetings of only one hospital and does not handicap the other hospitals in meeting the attendance requirements of the Joint Commission. As one surgeon stated recently, "I used to be on the active staffs of four hospitals and had to attend at least four different surgical departmental meetings each week. Now I belong to only one active staff and am on three courtesy staffs. I attend only one meeting a week now and can spend more time with my patients."

In the case of this particular surgeon, this concentration of energies in one hospital is prudent and beneficial. He is a competent, qualified specialist whose work is consistently of the highest caliber. He is chief of surgery in the hospital where he holds his active staff appointment and uses his courtesy privileges elsewhere only for the convenience of occasional patients who

prefer those hospitals. But his is a different case from that of the courtesy physician with no special training, with limited privileges, and without an active staff appointment in any hospital. This is the physician who needs the educational opportunities of the staff meeting. This is the one who should have a part in the committee work and in the other activities of the staff.

What is happening as a result of the entirely desirable and necessary meeting attendance requirement of the Joint Commission is the growth of the courtesy staff into an unwieldy mass of physicians of widely different training, abilities and needs. In this group we now find the qualified and recognized specialist, the physician with no special training or abilities, and the young newcomer to the staff who is serving a period of probation.

It must be apparent that a hospital regulation excusing the entire courtesy staff from attending meetings is not in the best interest of those physicians who need the educational opportunities provided by such meetings. It is also obvious that we should reexamine our traditional concept of the courtesy medical staff which, if the present trends continue, will become even more ineffective in the future.

#### **Steps Can Be Taken**

Is there a solution to this complicated problem of the courtesy medical staff? Probably not a complete or a universally satisfactory solution. For as long as we maintain a democracy, and as long as doctors are human beings, they will determine their locations for practice, in spite of bed shortages and local jealousies. Moreover, in a democracy, it is the privilege and responsibility of the hospital to determine its staff composition and its objectives according to its own peculiar needs. But there are some reasonable and practical steps that could be taken with profit. These are shown on Page 86.

These recommendations are not a panacea; they will not please every physician or every hospital administrator. Indeed, they may require some modification to meet the needs and objectives of individual hospitals. But their general application should do much to improve the education of physicians, the morale of hospitals and to make all doctors feel they are an integral part of the hospital team. ■





True Taylor, administrator, points to caduceus design at the entrance of hospital.



Above, top: Entrance desk has unusual background design of stylized forms representing the various hospital functions. Above: Compact laboratory facilities are combined with pharmacy department.

## Daylight Is Built In

**E**XPANSIBILITY is planned in the design of Jefferson County Memorial Hospital which serves the twin cities of Festus and Crystal City, Mo. The 50 bed structure was designed for 50 additional beds to be placed over the first floor patient areas, with vertical transportation to be provided by dual elevators to be installed at a later stage.

Services are close together, but separated through the use of a quadruple obstetrics, surgery, emergency and service corridor. These areas are daylighted by plastic sky domes. If a second floor is built in the future, it would not eliminate these lights as the future expansion is not contemplated over these areas.

Architects for the hospital were Hewitt & Royer, architects and engineers, Kansas City, Mo. True Taylor is the administrator.



Above: Cafeteria next to main lobby serves both as a dining room and as an off-hour visitor's coffee shop. Below: Typical bedroom features glass fiber draperies, modern decor, piped oxygen, and audio-visual system.



## By Plastic Sky Domes

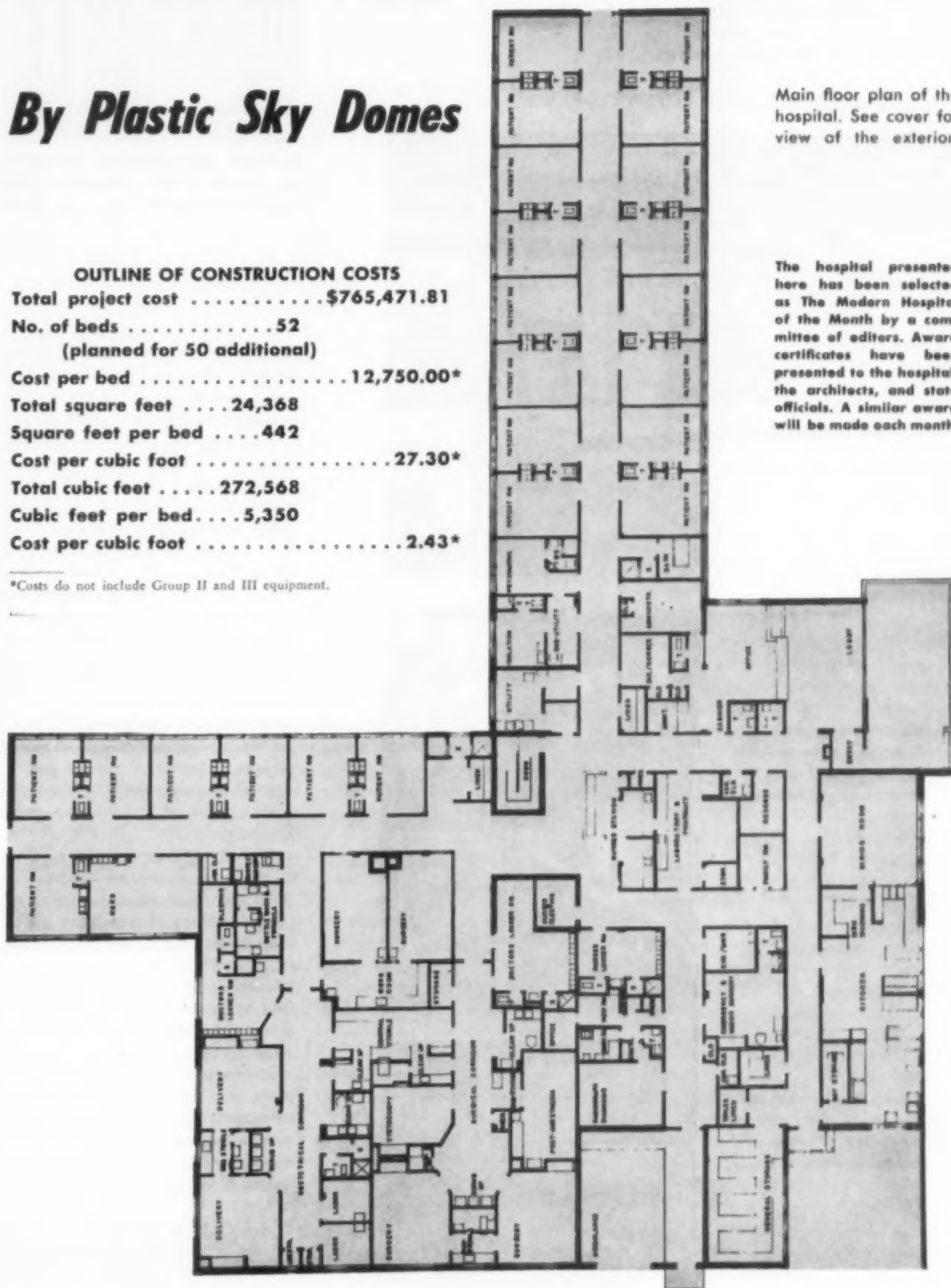
### OUTLINE OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Total project cost .....	\$765,471.81
No. of beds .....	52
(planned for 50 additional)	
Cost per bed .....	12,750.00*
Total square feet ....	24,368
Square feet per bed ....	442
Cost per cubic foot .....	27.30*
Total cubic feet ....	272,568
Cubic feet per bed ....	5,350
Cost per cubic foot .....	2.43*

\*Costs do not include Group II and III equipment.

Main floor plan of the hospital. See cover for view of the exterior.

The hospital presented here has been selected as The Modern Hospital of the Month by a committee of editors. Award certificates have been presented to the hospital, the architects, and state officials. A similar award will be made each month.



Below: Central nurses' station with floor pantry and medicine room alcoves controls four main corridors.



Right: Central sterilizing is convenient to the surgery and obstetrical departments.



Right: Dual nurseries are serviced by common workroom, formula and bottle washing area.



Corridors are daylighted by plastic sky domes. Future expansion plan would not eliminate these sky lights.

Surgery, delivery and auxiliary facilities are adequate for 100 beds and could be expanded horizontally to meet increased demands, True Taylor, administrator of the hospital, explains.

One of the interesting features of the hospital, according to Mr. Taylor, is the central nurses' station with its floor pantry and medicine room alcoves. The station provides visual control of both the obstetrical and medical-surgical entrances, the patient areas, public entrance corridors, and the entrance to the service and emergency corridors. Visual control is supplemented by an audio-visual patient communication system.

Central sterilization is located convenient to both the surgical and obstetrical departments. The dual nurseries are placed so as to be a public interest point.

The ground floor includes mechanical areas for boiler, air conditioning, and other mechanical facilities; employees' lockers and shower rooms; engineer's office and maintenance shops, and large storage areas. General hospital supplies enter the ground floor at grade level. Supplies will be sent to the main floor by elevators when they are installed.

Mechanical features include complete air conditioning by a dual temperature water system; piped oxygen throughout the hospital, and a complete sewage disposal system, required by the lack of community facilities to the site. Water is provided by a deep well, dug and piped as part of the construction contracts. An emergency electric plant is available in case of power failure. ■

# Let's Give the Public the Facts About Costs

**The public has a right to answers to its questions about hospital costs. Every person in the hospital organization who has contact with patients must know why costs are what they are and be prepared to explain them**

**Ray E. Brown**

A HOSPITAL is simply the congregated personnel and equipment that the community has provided for its medical care. Therefore, the community has a right to ask questions about the hospital and has a right to expect that we will give them understanding answers. No matter who may hold legal title to a hospital, whether it be Catholics or Baptists or a nonprofit community corporation, it is a community enterprise. It represents in many instances the sacrifices of a lot of people to provide resources that the individual cannot provide for himself at home. Neither can his doctor provide these resources in his office. What we have done is cooperatively to put together those medical resources that none of us individually could provide, and certainly none of us individually could use, because the expense of such a possession would be prohibitive. So this is a community institution, and the community assumes and has great rights as far as the hospital is concerned.

Who is the hospital? To the person who uses the hospital, it is the people that he comes in contact with. It is the people who say things to him when he asks questions about the hospital. It is always true that the person who gives answers is considered to be someone who has knowledge and who has authority to give those answers. Any form of enterprise has to have some-

one to give answers. In other words, we have to give any activity a voice, so that the person who needs information or who is seeking advice or instructions can receive the instructions or the answers that he needs. The asker has a right to believe the answers are authoritative and factual, and that the hospital's spokesmen are speaking from a knowledge that permits them to give adequate and full explanations of the facts.

Why is there such an emphasis on hospital costs? It is no secret that hospital costs are rising rapidly. The public is pretty sophisticated about the fact we are in an inflationary period, but we are going much beyond that with our hospital costs. When this occurs, the public has a right to know why — and just idle curiosity, if nothing else, would cause it to ask questions. The number of these questions will be increased because utilization is increasing — that is, more and more people are going to hospitals. This means more and more people are being affected by hospital costs. Adding the two together, we come up with the fact that an increased percentage of the national income, or of the community's income, is going into hospital care, and therefore the community has a right to say: "Why do we have to put more of our resources into hospital care when we could very well put them into color television, or into power brakes, or something else?"

These things add up to a serious problem to the American hospital system and the way we are now financing

our hospital care. As we all know, third parties are paying an increasing portion of the cost of hospital care. About two out of every three people have some form of hospital coverage. If we are passing the cost of hospital care more and more to the third-party system, it means that the well persons now are becoming concerned about what they are paying, because increasingly it isn't the sick who are paying the hospital bills, it is the well people in our communities. The sick don't like to spend money for hospital care, but at least they *were sick*; the well certainly don't want to spend money for hospital care, because they aren't sick and are not deriving any direct benefits. This is one reason increased utilization and increased costs are such a problem for Blue Cross; our hospitals have forced them constantly to raise the charges they are making to the well people of the community, and the well no longer relate the service they are getting to the payments they are making, because they aren't getting service, they are simply making payments. We have got to explain to the patient and to relatives why hospital costs have increased and why the charges that Blue Cross makes have increased, so that they can tell the well with whom they come into contact about the necessity of increased payments to third parties, and especially to Blue Cross which pays off in hospital service at increasing cost, rather than in a set amount of cash.

If hospitals are, as we say, community agencies, and if they are necessary

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## How To Talk About Hospital Costs

**1. Listen** to what the questioner is really saying. He may be trying to tell you something as well as ask a question.

**2. Realize** that people who ask questions in hospitals are disturbed and therefore may not state their questions as coherently as otherwise.

**3. Understand** the real motivation behind the question. The person may be using one complaint to get an entirely different problem off his chest.

**4. Be specific** in the information you are giving. Remember that the other person often hears what he thinks you are going to say rather than what you do say.

agencies to the extent that they are tax free and receive other subsidies from government, or from the public, it must mean that they are touched with a public interest. They are not the same as a department store which might raise its prices without any public notice; they are more like the public utilities, or other regulated services. If the public becomes disturbed enough about hospital costs, it will turn to its public agencies and ask them to control what the hospitals are spending, to take jurisdiction over the right of a hospital to raise nurses' salaries, or to add new services. Therefore we must be sure we are dealing with a knowing public that will not, through misunderstanding, ask for dangerous actions to be taken, actions that would stifle the voluntary system that we believe is producing the best possible hospital care for the American public. A fully informed public is the only alternative to a misunderstanding one.

Finally, we have a moral responsibility. We are stewards of the public's equipment. The public has provided the means to bring together expensive equipment and highly trained personnel, and it has asked us to do the best job we can in maximizing the usefulness and minimizing the cost of this equipment and this personnel. If we are going to try to explain something to the public, we have got to do it with an honest face, with a conviction that we have done the best job we can, and that we are explaining a good stewardship. To attempt to explain any other sort of stewardship would be insincere and almost any person can detect insincerity.

Responsibility for stewardship extends to every hospital employee. Every

employee must be concerned about hospital costs and become anxious about hospital costs. Each one is part of an activity that costs the hospital money. Each is spending the hospital's money, and has an obligation to satisfy himself that he is wringing every dollar's worth of service he can out of each dollar that he is spending. This must be true before he can explain hospital costs effectively. Each employee must also be concerned that he is doing the best sort of job he can with those parts of the resources that have been placed under his control, with those aspects of hospital care or hospital costs over which he has an influence. We have all got to accept the responsibility that we ourselves are involved in the total of operating costs in our hospitals, and that we ourselves have got to take the first steps in doing something about being sure they are as low as they can possibly be.

No matter what we do, hospital costs will continue to rise, but at the same time we will have kept them from rising to the extent that we have increased the efficiency of the operations and improved productivity. If we have done all we can do about the costs which we can control then we will be much better informed about those costs which we cannot control. We will be able to explain them because we will have studied them and worried over the answers to them.

Knowledge about hospital costs is, however, not enough. This knowledge must be effectively transmitted to those who are concerned over these costs. What we are talking about is communication; we are talking about somebody asking and somebody answering. There are two or

three aspects of communication that are especially important in the hospital setting. The first of these is to be sure to listen to what the other person is saying. In the world today we just don't listen enough. We are trying to anticipate what a person is going to say. We are trying to out-guess him or to read between the lines. If we are going to start giving meaningful answers we must be sure we get the question and be sure we have heard the questioner through even after we have heard the questions. We must remember that this person is usually in what is to him a strange situation. People who ask questions in hospitals are often upset over their medical condition or that of a member of their family. They are worried, they are anxious, and so they are probably not going to be as coherent or state their questions as clearly as they would if they could be as objective as we are.

Of course, every hospital employee has to develop a certain amount of callousness as to the emotional problems that people face in serious illness. We would become pretty sick ourselves if we tried to carry every patient's emotional load. At the same time that we are developing some detachment, some impersonal thinking about the people who have these troubles, however, we have got to give them credit for being disturbed. We must realize that they are asking questions in a context that makes them different individuals from what they would be if we were with them at a movie or ball game or if we were discussing some abstract question with them, like politics or the international situation.

Listening itself is hard for anyone to do, and for us in the hospital listening involves hearing the same old questions time and time again. Nobody can for long retain a genuine interest in old questions. Furthermore, the mechanics of listening are pretty difficult, because we can talk or ask questions at the rate of only 125 words a minute, and yet we can listen at the rate of more than 1000 words a minute! This variation leaves a lot of time for the listener's mind to wander. So it is awfully hard for us to pay attention, yet if we are going to have any meaningful questions asked of us, then we have

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# How Methods Engineering Gets Results

**The methods engineer's primary function is to train employees to make the best use of their time and skills, with the ultimate aim of carrying out the hospital's policies with maximum efficiency at the lowest cost**

**Harold E. Smalley, Richard A. Dudek, and Edward J. Gerner Jr.**

**T**HERE are many ways of making better use of hospital personnel. Some are scientific, others are intuitive. Managerial proficiency requires good managerial practices in program planning, fiscal management, design of functions and physical facilities, personnel practices, public relations, and professional relations.

Management engineering, which can embrace the functions of education, research and direct practice, is a tool of administration for carrying out hospital objectives within prescribed quality standards, cost goals, and administrative policy. The methods improvement practitioner does not make policy; he merely helps carry out existing policy. As a tool of management, this professional approach to organized methods improvement facilitates the execution of administrative decree. As an efficiency mechanism it strives toward maximizing a ratio of *results to costs*. It is within such a setting that management engineering must be viewed.

If any management tool is to serve the interests of the organization, it must make a positive contribution to management's attempt to execute administrative policy. Success or failure of a program can be expressed in these terms only. If a program helps to carry out objectives, it is successful; if it does

not, it is unsuccessful. Organized methods improvement programs can be judged accordingly.

The worth of a methods program can be measured in terms of its accomplishment. Accomplishment is assumed to be equivalent to the ratio of the results to costs. Since results and costs may be high or low, accomplishment will range in value. Results are yields actually achieved, as shown in the formula on page 94.

Being the ratio of results to costs, ac-

complishment will increase if results increase at a constant cost; it will increase if results remain unchanged while costs are reduced, and it will increase if results increase proportionally more than costs. Conversely, accomplishment will decrease if costs increase proportionally more than results. The objective of any methods improvement program should be to maximize accomplishment by maximizing the ratio of results to costs.

Organized methods improvement



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## Algebra Breaks Down the Total Cost

Cost is the whole complex of disadvantage stemming from the consumption of resources, human and material. This theorem may be expressed algebraically as:  $A = R/C$ . Results can be thought of as a function of magnitude,  $M$ , and quality,  $Q$ , i.e.  $R = f(M \text{ and } Q)$ . The total cost, tangible and intangible, of a method or procedure may be expressed as a function of monetary cost,  $C_M$ , and non-monetary cost,  $C_N$ . By substituting the equivalents of  $R$  and  $C$  in the equation given above, the general accomplishment equation may be stated as:  $A = f(M \text{ and } Q)/f(C_M \text{ and } C_N)$ .

programs mean changes — changes in methods, procedures, systems, jobs and other conditions of employment. These changes arouse suspicions, fears and apprehensions with which the methods practitioner must cope. It has become axiomatic in industrial engineering practice that technical competence is of little value without equal competence in human relations.

It is probable that hospital people are no less human than other people with respect to psychological inertia. Behavioristic and environmental factors combine to comprise a significant obstacle to the introduction of a methods program in hospitals, namely, resistance to change.

### Education

One of the most respected technics for facilitating communications and overcoming resistance to a management program is education. Regardless of the technic employed, the problem of establishing a suitable climate of attitudes takes on several dimensions — direction, location and magnitude of indoctrination, as explained in the panel on the opposite page.

There are a number of problems requiring solutions before the indoctrination process is attempted. Among these are the need for a competent indoctrinator and intelligent selection of the proper educational machinery. The most popular method of indoctrination has been the short course and the most popular topic for the short course has been work simplification. This seems to be sound for the following reasons:

1. Work simplification is a natural extension of the management philosophy of methods improvement.

2. Being based upon organized common sense, its principles are easily understood by almost everyone.

3. It is a kind of nontechnical methods engineering which forms a foundation for the other segments of industrial engineering.

4. The breadth of the survey-appreciation approach used in work simplification widens the vistas of participants and sets the stage for implementation.

5. Its philosophy is noble, its objectives are compatible with hospital objectives, its methods are relatively simple, and its results are usually dramatic and easily discerned by all.

The principles that form a basis for management engineering are applicable in any line of human endeavor. Work simplification, as a part of management engineering, is no exception to this rule. However, training materials now available from other fields of application cannot be transplanted easily without change. New training materials should be devised to enable hospitals to speed up the process of indoctrination. Other problem areas pertain to instructional methods, locale for short courses, type of representation, and characteristics of short course sessions.

There are several ways of indoctrinating health oriented people in methods improvement. First, there are credit courses offered by colleges and universities for nurses, administrators and others. For example, the Uni-

sity of Pittsburgh school of nursing offers a two-credit course in methods analysis applied to nursing service functions on the graduate level. Similar courses are offered by other educational institutions, such as the State University of Iowa, Washington University, and Ohio State University. Another method employed by colleges is to provide guest lectures for students in the health professions. These are directed toward students in hospital administration programs and in schools of nursing, dentistry, pharmacy and medicine.

As a part of certain academic courses, methods improvement projects are undertaken as term papers. One such project is a study at the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing in testing the reliability of a patient profile that measures the degree of dependency of the patient upon hospital personnel. Another is a class project interviewing patients on the comfort aspects of the hospital bed.\*

Of course, many hospitals engage in methods improvement projects regularly. Also there are certain health oriented people with sufficient motivation to become preindoctrinated by guided study, without the aid of formalized classes. Recently a graduate student in nursing made herself quite proficient in the technology of work sampling, a technic not ordinarily mastered by a nurse.

Another way of achieving indoctrination is through short courses or institutes. The hospital may organize its own courses or it may send selected representatives to other institutions.

Some hospitals may elect to send representatives to established management courses, such as those at the State University of Iowa, University of Connecticut, and Purdue University. Some may want their people to attend regular college courses and some may elect technical institute training. Regardless of the means used, it is essential that indoctrination must be carried out successfully and the short course appears to be an excellent mechanism for providing this prerequisite to implementation.

It is apparent that this all-important indoctrination process can be achieved through education. However, educa-

\*Smalley, Harold E.; Dudek, Richard A.; Dinnerstein, Albert J., and Gailani, Dorothy M.: An Investigation of the Hospital Patient Unit Progress Report, U.S.P.H. Project, University of Pittsburgh, March 1958.

tion must go hand in hand with research and practice.

### Research

Education for better utilization of hospital personnel should be supported with research. Through research the hospital can gain a great deal by increasing the utilization of its resources, such as personnel, materials, equipment and finances, and by a better application of knowledge. The hospital can also contribute to society through research by the extension of knowledge. In the paragraphs to follow, research will be discussed from the standpoint of what research the hospital should and can do and how a research program in industrial engineering can be organized and utilized.

In general, research is a systematic search for unknown facts and principles. This general concept can be broken down into two types, these being basic or pure research and applied research. Basic research is usually defined as research for its own sake without regard to its ultimate use, or as the determination of new knowledge many times with no specific goals in mind. Applied research, on the other hand, is research for a definite, practical purpose, an investigation with the intent of utilizing results to achieve a given practical purpose. Types of research can be considered as a continuum, the two ends of the continuum being basic research and applied research. Many research projects lie within these extremes, i.e. having some characteristics of each type.

To clarify these definitions further, an example will be drawn from a project being conducted at the University of Pittsburgh, sponsored in part by the United States Public Health Service, namely that of a cranking experiment to determine the best kind of crank for the hospital bed. There is much existing information in the literature which indicates the criteria for cranks when used on jobs requiring speed and accuracy. If the job of positioning the springs of the hospital bed required speed and accuracy, this available knowledge could be adapted to the cranks for a hospital bed. This process of adapting existing knowledge to a specific problem at hand with subsequent testing would be applied research. However, it is apparent that the major criterion for hospital bed cranks is not speed and accuracy

## How To Win Acceptance of New Methods

Indoctrination of personnel on all levels to any proposed management program has three essential elements: direction, location and magnitude.

### Direction

There seems to be no reason to doubt the validity of the principle that programs must be "sold" from the top down. If methods improvement is to succeed, it must be supported by those in high organizational positions. This principle assumes that sympathy and support can flow downward but not upward. This seems to be consistent with the teachings of industrial management with respect to the proper direction of indoctrination: In hospital methods improvement, this principle would seem to start with the administrator, if not the board of trustees.

### Location

There is the question of who in the organization must be "sold." Indoctrination of the administrator alone probably is not enough, although indoctrination of all personnel may be unnecessary to achieve reasonable results. The consensus of those contacted in a recent study\* indicates that indoctrination should be located in administration, nursing service, department heads, and supervisors. Additional research and experience would seem to be needed in order to gain more knowledge about this dimension.

### Magnitude

There would seem to be several degrees of indoctrination. Progressing from one end of a continuum to the other, the lowest degree might be "lip service." Here the person gives the appearance of sympathy and support but actually is indifferent or even opposed to methods programs. Next, there is "faith." This involves a belief in the objectives of the program without knowledge as to the program's assumptions or methods. A bit farther up the scale is "appreciation." This magnitude of indoctrination could be thought of as an awareness of objectives, methods and results. Then comes "understanding," which is characterized by discernment and comprehension of methods work in its entirety. "Technical competence" includes understanding as well as the skills required for practicing methods engineering. Finally, the top of the scale is reached at the "professional competence" level. At this apex most of the skills are retained but understanding is broadened by virtue of education and experience in the total discipline (industrial engineering) of which methods engineering is a part. Of course, one might rank philosophical, ethical and moral competence even higher, but perhaps these go beyond the parameters involved here.

There is no reason to assume that a hospital must establish a given level of indoctrination for all personnel. It is possible that a "faith" level is sufficient for board members but an "appreciation" level is necessary for department heads, supervisors and, perhaps, medical staff. The administrative officer who coordinates the program might need an "understanding" level, while practitioners would have to have "technical competence." The individual responsible for directing the program should be in the "professional competence" category.

\*Smalley, Harold E.; A Study of Work Simplification in Hospitals With Emphasis Upon Economic Implications. University of Pittsburgh, June 1957.



but rather the performance of work with ease and safety. Thus the problem reduces to one of determining the optimal combination of crank variables to perform a given amount of work, e.g. pounds pull, crank radius, torque and number of turns of the crank. Such an experiment, developed to extend knowledge about cranks, even though there was a specific goal in mind, would be basic research.

Many times these types of research are performed concurrently. If a basic research project is undertaken, at various stages it may be necessary to perform applied research. In the same way, if an applied research project is undertaken there may be stages at which basic research is required.

In general, industrial engineering research done by the majority of hospitals is confined to applied research. Most of the basic research is done by university medical centers and by private research organizations. Many hospitals are actively engaged in industrial engineering research. Examples of this research are listed below.

**Applied.** In a large general hospital,

an industrial engineer made tests of ultrasonic cleaning of surgical instruments, hypodermics, and so on.

In a rural general hospital a test was conducted to see if a home washing machine could be used for cleaning rubber gloves.

In many hospitals industrial engineers have verified manufacturers' specifications of equipment and material in the business office, laundry and other departments.

A university medical center is undertaking a cost project studying disposable versus reprocessed hospital supplies in an attempt to adapt the *make or buy* principle utilizing the operations research approach to the problem of selecting between these two types of supply items.

**Basic.** At the University of Pittsburgh, the bed project is being done to determine optimal characteristics for the general purpose hospital bed.

The State University of Iowa Hospitals are conducting studies concerning the preplanning of nonrepetitive work.

Quality of patient care studies are

being conducted at Ohio State University.

In beginning a research program, it is best that it be started with short, easy problems. Many times no concrete results are immediately apparent and therefore difficult problems which require much time may come to be regarded as an unnecessary expense item. Of course, administration must guard against becoming shortsighted if a research program is desired. This should not be difficult for hospitals to accept for many hospitals have research as a policy mandate along with the mandates of taking care of patients and providing a service to the community. Most of this research performed in hospitals is in relation to health problems. But with a slight extension of policy, industrial engineering research could also be performed. The method used in the research should be left to the professional industrial engineer who has been trained in scientific methods.

To determine how a research program should be introduced one can draw on psychological research dealing with motivations and goals of individuals. It must be recognized that both positive and negative motivations exist. The positive motivation is the desire to extend knowledge or the desire to solve a given problem. The negative motivation is the work that must be expended to achieve these goals and the inconvenience the research project may entail.

Human beings react negatively to new programs if the barriers or detours are too great at the outset. This reluctance on the part of people, sometimes called *resistance to change*, is to be found in education, research and application. Therefore, a research program or any new program must start slowly with meaningful goals; the problems which should be undertaken first are those with "quick payoffs."

Research can lead to better utilization of the resources of hospitals, to better application of knowledge, and to the extension of knowledge. Research is not an end in itself. Like education, the true worth of research is realized in practical applications. How research can be put to practical use, with illustrations of work that has been done along this line, will be discussed in the concluding section of this article in a later issue of *The MODERN HOSPITAL*. ■

## Increased Automation Predicted as Step Toward Methods Improvement in Laboratories

NEW YORK. — The rapid increase in bed capacity of hospitals has placed a burden on hospital laboratories that can be relieved only by automation, it was reported here recently.

In an article published in *Analytical Chemistry*, Dr. Samuel Natelson, head of the department of biochemistry, Roosevelt Hospital, said that the "sheer numbers of analyses that have to be performed daily" had increased proportionately with the increase in beds.

"To meet this problem there is an active movement toward automation of procedures most commonly performed," Dr. Natelson said. "One approach has been to automate each step in the procedure. The last ten years have witnessed a remarkable development in instrumentation and technics, with a drastic move toward microprocedures for the routine laboratory of clinical chemistry."

Dr. Natelson said it is "obvious" that automation will be accelerated during the next ten years.

The article dealt with detailed in-

formation about the automation of analytical chemical procedures in hospital laboratories. "Improved understanding of the significance of levels of numerous components in body fluids and tissues in the diagnosis and treatment of disease has resulted in a demand that the clinical chemistry laboratory be prepared to determine these components," Dr. Natelson said. "This has stimulated a rapid development in analytical technics and upgrading quality of personnel to supervise and perform laboratory procedures."

Dr. Natelson said the hospital problem was complicated for the analytical chemist by the necessity for determining numerous compounds appearing in body fluids and tissues, by the limited amounts of fluid and tissue available for study, and by the need for making determinations rapidly.

"Results must be made available rapidly enough to help in the treatment," he said. "This requires that procedures be direct and require a minimum number of transfers."

# Why Medical Care Costs Concern the Senate

**As chairman of a subcommittee investigating hospitals and Blue Cross in Washington, Senator Wayne Morse, in this Modern Hospital interview, says the inquiry might become nationwide, and airs his views on the costs of health care**

**George E. Connery**

SENATOR WAYNE MORSE, Oregon Democrat, loves a fight and he can't understand why other people don't always feel the same way. "When it's over you have more facts on the table and you have a much better chance of getting something done," he explains.

Now he is wading into an issue that may develop into a long-range argument with doctors and hospitals over the financing of medical care costs.

Technically, the question at the moment is a relatively narrow one — whether the commissioners of the District of Columbia (Washington's "city council") should appoint a majority of the board that controls the D.C. area's Group Hospitalization, Inc. (Blue Cross). The Senator is chairman of a subcommittee that is looking into the matter.

But actually the issue is not that limited geographically. National attention seems to focus on most situations in which Senator Morse becomes involved, and this is no exception. Furthermore, if the Washington hearings produce information of broad significance to medical care costs, Senator Morse, through his membership also on the labor and public welfare committee, could swing out into a national investigation.

"Certainly that's a possibility," he told *THE MODERN HOSPITAL*, "but it's not the only possibility. Foundations and other organizations outside government might take some action, too."

Senator Morse is one of the Senate's foremost authorities on constitutional law and legislative procedures. He has promised that hearings will be conducted strictly by the book, that he will show no preference. And no one who knows him would doubt that.

Yet he is not a legal automaton; he has some strong views on the responsibility of the federal government for getting proper health care to all the people at prices they can afford. For this reason it is important to understand the beliefs that have projected him into a prominent position in hospital-medical legislation.

## **Advocates Forand Bill**

He is the Senate's most articulate advocate of the Forand bill, and has introduced an identical measure in his chamber. This is a proposal to raise social security taxes to finance hospitalization for the aged and other beneficiaries of the system. It is being vigorously opposed by the American Medical Association; American Hospital Association's opposition is something less than vigorous.

He doesn't see any way short of state or federal subsidies to bring hospital and medical charges within the reach of all the population.

He is not in the least awed by the political strength of the medical profession and hospital people. "Organized medicine is against me almost all the time. But they haven't done much damage. All I have to do is make a

few speeches on the subject of medical costs, and line up a few facts, and I don't have to worry."

Yet, to him it is not paradoxical that it was his vote on the Senate labor committee that for three years kept the Wagner-Murray-Dingell socialized medicine bill bottled up.

"I was against socialized medicine then and I'm even more opposed to it now," he says. "Actually, the doctors ought to realize that it's liberals like me who talk up to them who are their only real friends and who are the only ones who can save them from government control."

Senator Morse, a former law teacher, can point specifically to the Constitution of the United States as his guide in almost any controversy that arises.

In this situation, he quotes the preamble:

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, *promote the general welfare . . .* do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States."

"The principles of government must be implemented," he insists. "The general welfare, the promotion of the general welfare, is a duty and a responsibility of the Congress."

"This also means checking any power that is inimical to the welfare of the people. I am anxious to protect

medicine's legitimate rights, but I'm not going to let the doctors or the hospital people write their own laws or stop us from writing the proper laws.

"Like all other laws, laws affecting medical care and medical costs and research and public health are laws for all the people, not just laws for the doctors and the hospitals. They are not going to be allowed to dictate laws that apply to the whole population, no more than labor is going to be allowed to write the labor laws that apply to the whole population.

"The doctors can't write their own ticket down here.

"In many of these situations the trouble comes because people — and members of the Senate included — are not able to apply abstract principles to concrete problems. The Constitution says plainly that the Congress is to promote the general welfare. This is our source of authority to pass laws that we think will improve the medical care the people are getting. But many people can't see that relationship and that obligation.

"In more specific terms, the health of the American people is a great source of wealth. The government cannot sit idly by and see it destroyed."

The Senator, naturally, doesn't accept the argument of organized medicine that rapid progress is being made in bringing good medical care to all the people.

#### **Should Be No Variation**

"I am not satisfied that the equality of health treatment is being attained. There is no reason why in our times there should be a variation of medical care based on families' various economic positions."

The Senator's opinion that health legislation and medical care are important issues with the people was reinforced, he said, by the results of an informal survey taken by his office early this year.

The Senator's newsletter had reached a circulation of 60,000. It was an expensive operation, and besides he suspected that there were too many people on the list who shouldn't be there, and that there were wrong addresses, etc. So a "sudden death" notice was sent out. If the readers didn't return the enclosed form within a certain time their names automatically would go off the mailing list. Also, on

the form there was a space just labeled "Comments."

Of those who wrote any comment, Senator Morse said, a preponderance were concerned over the high cost of hospital and medical care. Why did costs have to be so high? Why were health insurance rates always going up? How do you get the money to pay for a long illness? The usual questions, of course, but their volume was surprising. Only one other subject — worry about a war — produced anywhere near as many questions as did medical care costs.

This was a straight, unrigged response. No subjects were suggested, nor were any even listed on the form.

#### **No Room for Doubt**

If the Senator had any question about whether he was moving into an important field, one in which the people's concern was vital, that question was now removed.

"I was intrigued by the fact medical costs and war fears resulted in far more comments than all other subjects combined.

"Why these two? I think it's an expression of basic insecurity in the face of illness and war. In either case, the individual family has little or no control over its fate. There are two major and frightening specters — national devastation through an enemy attack and personal devastation, financial and physical, through an attack of illness."

The record over the last year shows Senator Morse is driving right ahead in his investigation, and that, eventually, he probably will have all the facts spread out on the table where he wants them.

The first District of Columbia hearings last summer were prompted by announcement that Group Hospitalization, Inc., would raise its rates by about 42 per cent. Senator Morse called on all interested parties to explain.

In opening the session, the Senator remarked that he was fully aware that the problem had "far broader aspects" than the raise in rates. "This deals with the whole question of the direct and indirect rights of citizens in the field of medical care. And may I say for the benefit of the medical profession that this is something the American people are going to be confronted with more and more, year after year."

Later, in questioning one of the Dis-

trict commissioners, the Senator again took a look far ahead when he said: "Whatever information we have to get we are going to get, because I think this is the proper place to point out that the American people in the years ahead, I think, are going to expect their government to see to it that the health of the people of this city receives adequate care at reasonable cost."

The commissioners then explained that they wanted Congress (which must pass all laws for the District) to pass a bill to give them authority to name a majority of the board members (hospital and medical appointees now have majority) to keep close and constant check on Group Hospitalization's operations, and to approve or disapprove rate changes.

Group Hospitalization's spokesmen put up a strong defense — there had been only three prior rate increases in 25 years, and two reductions; the group lost almost a million dollars the previous year; 65 per cent of its expenses are wages and salaries.

The increases went into effect in the fall, and it might be the subscribers were more understanding of costs than the commissioners and the Senators, because last year there were 5000 fewer cancellations than in the previous year.

#### **Called for New Ideas**

That hearing settled nothing. After a lull of several months, Senator Morse announced that hearings would be reopened early this session. Also, to keep the fire burning, he challenged the District doctors to get busy on the problem, to accept their responsibilities, and to come up with some new ideas.

That elicited a sharp reaction from the District of Columbia Medical Society in the form of a statement written in obviously restrained rage. It said in part:

"It can probably honestly be said that we as a society have been seriously studying such problems (as medical care) a much longer time than most people who are at present loudly proclaiming that the doctors must supply the answers to the causes, and find the solutions of the 'high cost of medical care' . . .

"All we want for ourselves is reasonable compensation for the years of education, the staggering expense of the

same, the proficiency we have acquired through long hours of dealing with the sick, the constant night vigil of study, and attending at considerable expense medical meetings and postgraduate courses. The main compensation we receive is the satisfaction of helping suffering humanity, but we too must live and rear and educate our children."

Then, with rage translated to satire, the editorial continued:

"We know that we and other physicians and scientists are partly responsible for the 'high cost of medical care' in that we have developed expensive diagnostic procedures and therapeutic modalities to cure sick people quickly that were not known 50 or even 25 years ago. On the other hand, we are not responsible for the alarming inflation that has caused our efforts to be so costly. We respectfully submit that the latter is the main problem for our politicians and statesmen to solve. . . ."

It is unlikely that Senator Morse, inured by years of long-range and short-range exchanges with doctors, was much impressed.

His reaction was a change of pace, for which he is noted.

#### He Thanked the Committee

Ignoring the charges, he thanked the society for its cooperation, and with his letter enclosed a copy of another letter he had sent to a publication. The latter said in part:

"I intend, and I am sure that my colleagues on the subcommittee intend, in this inquiry to be guided by a major principle which should be at the basis of any congressional inquiry. That principle is simply to determine what the facts of the situation are in order that a firm record may be made which can serve as a basis for legislation which is in the public interest.

"It is not our intention to 'pillory' any individual or group of individuals. At the same time we have the duty and responsibility of making as thorough a study as we can in order that the relevant factual material can be placed upon the public record. We will follow where the facts lead, and the legislative product will reflect what we find. . . ."

That appeared a reasonable and a moderate approach. But it should not be interpreted as a change of heart. Wayne Morse still is convinced that

the people are not getting the health care they should, and that it is the responsibility of the federal government to move in rapidly and forcefully and correct the situation.

He is still standing firmly on his creed, as expounded when he introduced his version of the Forand bill.

"It is simply economic nonsense to continue to assume that our older people, hard-pressed in the best of health to make ends meet on the shrinking purchasing power of the pension dollar, can squeeze enough extra dollars from this meager income to meet the mounting cost of really adequate health protection. Clearly they cannot. . . ."

#### Senator Morse Takes the Prize for Showmanship

This lawyer-farmer-educator-Senator is 59 years old and vigorously healthy. He neither smokes nor drinks, and it's hard to see how he would find time for either diversion. It is not unusual for him to get up at dawn, drive an hour out into Maryland, exercise a horse, or work with his cattle, then be back for a full day in the Senate and a full evening of dining and speaking. People are subjects to him, something to be studied and pried into, even those he doesn't like.

His office is lined — literally — with ribbons and trophies won at cattle and horse shows. He thinks nothing of loading a horse into his ultramodern horse trailer and taking it clear across the country. Once when he was taking cattle to a fair he decided at the last minute to take along a Dark Brahma rooster and see how he'd do in competition. He won first prize. At a horse show he was competing with gaited horses. There weren't enough entries in a jumping class, and he was asked if he had a horse he could enter. He mounted a gaited mare (they're not supposed to jump), and took second ribbon.

Born in Wisconsin, Senator Morse taught law at the University of Wisconsin and the University of Minnesota. He was dean of

"Let us not wait upon an administration that is decades behind the times in recognizing and coming to grips with social and economic problems. The Congress has the primary obligation to consider this legislation, to perfect it, and then to enact it."

Yet, when asked more about his views on the Forand-Morse bill, the Senator said:

"This may not be the way to do it. Maybe there is another way. But at least we should get down to concrete facts."

Remember, he's the one who for three years kept the socialized medicine bill off the floor of the Senate. And he would do that again. ■



Senator Morse and his horse

the law school at Oregon when he went into politics. The record shows he left the Republican party and entered the Democratic. His story is that there was not much of a change in him because most of the Democrats were for him and most of the Republicans against. In the Senate he's never really relaxed; his razor tongue is always well honed and ready to lash out. He is not known to have backed out of any situation just because his critics wanted him out.



# ***A Conference Is As Good As Its Leader***

***No matter what the purpose of the conference may be,  
its success or failure depends largely on the leader's  
ability to plan the agenda, to draw everyone into the  
discussion, and to end the session on a positive note***

**Leonard Nadler**

A MAJOR objective of a supervisory training program is to help the supervisor make the most effective use of conferences. Inasmuch as the leader is probably the most significant member of the group, the training aspects of conferences will center on "conference leadership." This is not to minimize the role of the other people who take part in the conference. However, in most work situations the conference leader is also the supervisor. Therefore, in this supervisory training program it is only natural that the focus should be on the supervisor as a conference leader.

There are several subsidiary objectives to this training conference. It is important to consider why we have conferences and to examine the roles of those who take part in conferences.

Before proceeding further it is probably necessary to have the group agree on just what is a conference. This is another one of those words referred to in a previous article as possibly having a rather special meaning for hospitals. In general hospitals the term "staff conference" is fairly common and usually denotes the meeting of the medical staff. In mental hospitals the term that one might meet is "case conference." Although these are definitely conferences they are not the kind of conferences we are considering in this

training program. It will be obvious, however, that some of the concepts and experiences shared during this training conference might well feed back to the other kind of conferences. Here, however, we are concerned more with those conferences called by a supervisor with his subordinates.

A good way to get discussions started is for the training conference leader to ask: "What is a conference?" Usually, this evokes quite a bit of response. However, if it should not, any good conference leader should be prepared with a set of alternate questions to produce discussion. Therefore, the conference leader might further ask: "Have any of you ever taken part in conferences?" It is fairly unbelievable that there would not be some kind of affirmative answer. If there is, the conference leader can build on this by asking the members the common elements of the different conferences they had attended.

The descriptions and definitions of a conference would probably include the fact that it is people who are meeting together for a specific purpose. It would probably also be obvious that within the group there is a leader. Some conferences have large numbers of persons attending, whereas, if we talk about conferences between supervisor and subordinates, it is possible that the group would be small. If it is a well organized conference it will probably have a definite task.

The task of the conference may not be obvious at the beginning but it is important that the training conference leader indicate the necessity for having all members of the group understand the objective of the conference.

Conferences may be thought of in several different categories. Sometimes it is not necessary to designate specifically what kind of conference it is so long as the objectives are clear. However, at other times it is important that the nature of the conference be spelled out fairly completely. Some of the conferences that might occur in a hospital situation are:

**Information.** This is the type of conference where the supervisor has information to give to the subordinates. It might involve a change in personnel policies, or the announcement of the arrival of new staff members or new equipment.

**Fact Finding.** This is where the supervisor is attempting to obtain information from the group. It might be part of the problem solving process discussed in the February issue of *The MODERN HOSPITAL* or merely an attempt to find out from the group members how they have handled a particular situation. Although it is called fact finding it is also a form of information gathering. For example, if a change in pharmacy procedures is anticipated, the supervisor might call his subordinates together to tell them of the change and to get their ideas and suggestions. It should be empha-

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sized that this type of conference has a specific limitation. The group is not being asked to decide whether or not the change should be made. Presumably, this is out of its area. All the employees are being asked for is an opinion that may or may not reflect itself in the ultimate decision.

**Decision Making.** In this type of conference the group knows that it is being asked to arrive at a decision. Merely sharing information will not be sufficient as its task is to come up with a specific decision or recommendation. Once again, it may be a decision that must be approved by a higher authority such as the administrator. However, when a group is called together and informed that it is asked to make a decision we presume that the administrator has given the authority to make the decision that will be implemented.

**Planning.** This type of conference unfortunately is not used extensively enough in our hospitals. We have people with tremendous experience but we too seldom ask them to be involved in planning. One area in recent years which has encouraged the use of the staff in planning has been in the development of disaster plans for hospitals. Unfortunately, many planning conferences bog down because there is not general agreement among the group that its function is to plan, rather than to share information or to make a decision.

**Training.** This is the type of conference described in this series of articles. Note that in this conference the leader is not presumed to have all the information and is therefore not giving information. Also, it is not a fact finding conference and certainly is not expected to make any decisions, although it might pass on some suggestions to a higher level. It is certainly not the function of the training conference to plan. This limits the area of a training conference to the discussion of specific subject matter with the purpose of improving the job performance of those involved.

Within any conference situation there are "roles" that the various participants have. As used in this sense, the word "role" indicates the function of a particular individual within the conference setting only. Outside of the conference his role in the hospital may be entirely different. During most conferences the roles of

## Pointers on Conducting a Good Conference

**T**HE conference leader should have a planned agenda. This would be a list of the topics to be covered. Whenever possible, the suggested agenda should be sent to everybody before the conference so that all will be adequately prepared. Before the conference meets and during the first minutes of the meeting a conference leader might ask whether the agenda is acceptable to the group. Note that in this training conference the objectives of the conference have been stated in the first two or three paragraphs of this article. The limitations of the printed page do not allow for the readers (who are the participants) to let me (who is the conference leader) know if the objectives are acceptable to them. In a regular training conference it might be best to ascertain if the group accepts the objectives of the conference. In some hospitals, all agendas must be passed on by somebody from the administrative staff. If this is the case in your hospital then you should be sure that the group knows of the limitation. Do not let the members think they have the choice of agenda items when it is actually something that has been ordered from above.

One of the most significant functions of the conference leader is to plan the conference. The success or failure of the conference can depend upon the time of day and the day of the week it is held. Obviously to conduct conferences during visiting hours in a mental hospital would be almost assuring failure. During this time, the staff usually has many additional functions and is concerned with the general pub-

lic as well as the patients. In a general hospital, the time of the conference might have to be regulated to allow for times when the outpatient clinic is open or other situations requiring mobilization of personnel to the full extent. Most conferences should start and stop on time. In a hospital, strict attention to the starting time is important. To run over the closing time can do much to give everybody a negative attitude concerning conferences.

Particularly with adults, the physical facilities are extremely important. Uncomfortable chairs have caused conference leaders almost as many headaches as uncomfortable verbal situations. Most of us find that if we are not physically comfortable we cannot possibly participate to the fullest extent. (For discussion of physical facilities please refer to the first article of this series which appeared in the September 1958 issue.)

When conducting the conference, the leader must be aware of many factors. A fundamental course, such as this, cannot possibly investigate all the aspects of conference leadership which are desirable. However, it might be pointed out that one of the keys to a good discussion during a conference is the ability of the leader to question. The leader must be sure that everybody has the opportunity to contribute to the conference to the greatest extent. Sometimes this can be done by utilizing buzz groups as is suggested during these training conferences. At other times, allowing for responses to questions will suffice. Other situations may call for various other training technics. ■

the individuals remain fairly constant. However, in a more mature and cohesive group it is always possible to shift roles without necessarily destroying the conference.

The most significant role is probably that of the *leader*. This does not mean that this is the only role or that it is

the most important. However, most poor conferences are the result of inadequate conference leadership. Therefore, it is extremely important that the leader be carefully chosen and adequately prepared. Inasmuch as the leader is usually the supervisor, it is not a matter of choosing a leader but

rather of developing our supervisors into the best conference leaders possible. The conference leader should know his group. If the members are all his subordinates there is no question about this as any supervisor should know his subordinates. However, it may be that the group also includes people from the outside. Particularly in our mental institutions where they are beginning to use patient committees, very frequently the supervisor finds himself conducting a conference with a group that includes patients as well as employees. If it is a planning conference it might well include employees from other units of the hospital as well as the leader's own. On the superficial level the use of name tags and name plates will at least let people know who is attending. At other times it might even be necessary to start with short introductions, each person giving his name, title and function.

#### **Should Know What's Next**

At the end of the conference, the leader should be sure that everybody knows what comes next. For these training conferences, the preview of coming attractions appears toward the end of the session. The group is told what the topic will be for next week. In some cases, specially prepared material will be handed out to the participants to prepare for next week. In other situations, the conference leader might distribute material obtained from other sources such as pamphlets or books.

For still other kinds of conferences, the participants might go away with specific work assignments that will be part of the follow-up on this conference and possibly in preparation for the next conference. It is important that the conference end on a positive and specific note rather than just dwindling off with the conference members slowly exiting from the room. Even if the conference has been a failure, and even the best conference leader has some of these, the conference session can be closed on a positive and affirmative note.

Numerically the largest group in a conference is the *participants*. It should be recognized however that the participants are not those who merely come to a conference and sit listening to the conference leader or some other status person. Every person who sits

around the conference table has a function to perform if the conference is to be successful. The list of responsibilities for the conference participants, or group members, is quite lengthy. Some of these are that the participant should listen thoughtfully to others. Unless we are prepared to listen to the others in a conference it is difficult to learn. It is true, of course, that while we listen to others we will be evaluating in our own terms. For example, if the conference leader talks about the fact that we are going to have to expand our facilities to house 10 per cent more patients than we now have, each member of the conference will see this differently. The business office may see it in terms of increased income; the admission service may see it in terms of increased workload. This does not mean that these two points of view are incompatible. It does mean that somewhere during the conference the participants have to listen to the others and be prepared to suggest how they may all work together.

During a conference everybody should speak as freely as he can. If the climate is such that there is the constant fear of reprisal after the conference is over, the conference leader might discontinue the conference until a more favorable climate can be encouraged. Speaking freely, however, does not mean that we have the right to interrupt others or to monopolize the conversation. Each one of us thinks that what we have to say is extremely important, but the other fellow's point of view should also be given a thorough airing.

It is not intended that all conferences be sweetness and light. It is expected that there will be disagreements. If possible, the disagreements should be kept under control. This is not always possible but it should always be the goal. In the final analysis, the success of the conference depends upon the participation of the group members and their acceptance and awareness of the material discussed.

There may be times when it becomes desirable to have an outsider attend the conference in order to bring the group some special kind of information. This *resource person* can come from a number of places and offer many different kinds of service to the conference group. The use of resource people in conferences is almost unlimited. For the faculty in the school of

nursing it might be advisable to bring in a professor from a local college to talk on "Principles of Guidance and Counseling Technics," for example. At other times representatives from several of the drug concerns might come in to discuss some of the newer drugs with the nursing groups. Hospital suppliers are usually quite eager to have some of their staff attend hospital conferences to discuss the products that are available.

Although resource people have much to contribute they should not be used indiscriminately. They should be chosen carefully because they have special knowledge or are authorities who can make a contribution to a conference. We are justified in bringing these persons in from the outside when the information or the skill they have is not obtainable from conference members. This means that there will be times when a particular conference might bring in persons from other parts of the hospital or from outside the hospital. The conference leader, or whoever is planning the conference, should be sure before using somebody outside the hospital that this will not serve to antagonize an equally capable person who is currently on the hospital staff. When a resource person is used the mechanism of the conference should be so constructed as to make maximum use of him. If possible, and if the resource person is available, he might remain in the hospital for the entire day and be generally available to those who wish to discuss particular aspects of his specialty that might not be of concern to the general group.

#### **May Need a Recorder**

There are two other roles that might be found in conference groups. Whether they are used or not would depend upon a variety of factors. Where it is desirable to maintain a record of a conference it is sometimes customary to use a *secretary* or *recorder*. The secretary is used when what is wanted is almost a verbatim report of what has gone on during the conference. Aside from the need for a written record for board meetings and the like, it is questionable that a secretary is the role needed in most of the conferences discussed in this article. The recorder, on the other hand, is used to keep notes of the general agreements or disagreements arrived

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# FOOD AND FOOD SERVICE

Conducted by Mary P. Huddleson

**Food service employees at this Veterans Hospital  
are given step-by-step instruction in tray assembly by  
means of lantern slides developed in the hospital**

## *They Make Their Own Visual Training Aids*

**Gloria E. Jorgenson**

**G**OOD orientation is important in training a dietetic service employee for efficient work. Every hospital dietitian has the same problem when it comes to obtaining visual aids suitable for the training program. There are few films or illustrative materials geared to the hospital problem. Most of the available films or filmstrips concern restaurant or office problems which have to be adapted to the hospital. It is upsetting to the average kitchen employee, whether he is scrubbing the floors or supervising the service, to have to transpose his problem from the restaurant or office situation. Few of them are capable of doing so. The lesson is lost because the background or setting is foreign to the employee.

Through the years, the dietary serv-

ice at Veterans Administration Hospital, Portland, Ore., has felt a great need for better visual aids. Little by little these training tools have been developed. The most outstanding and helpful aids that have been made are the colored lantern slides discussed in this article.

One of the major jobs of a dietetic employee is to participate in a tray assembly line for each meal served. The dietetic service has concentrated its efforts on training the employee for each position on the tray line. There are three positions, 1, 2 and 3. Each position is taught separately and an employee learns each new position after he demonstrates that the first position is well learned and with a minimum of errors. Position 1 starts the tray assembly line. The tray is put on the

counter; each tray is identified with a tray card, and the required silverware, cup and saucer, salt, pepper, sugar, bread plate, cream and butter are placed on the tray. Individual tray assembly line instruction is given to each new employee after he has been on duty a day. If more than one employee enters the service at one time group instruction is given.

The nurses' dining room is used for the classroom. The lantern slide projector is borrowed from the medical illustrations laboratory, a blackboard and screen combination unit is on the wall, individual menus and a step-by-step instruction sheet for tray line Position 1 are handed to each employee participating in the class. The employees group themselves around the lantern slide projector facing the

Pictures of completed trays are posted on tray assembly line. For breakfast tray, below, the fork is placed next to knife to eliminate unnecessary handling of fork because it is in the way when hot food is transferred to cold tray.



On dinner or supper tray, below, fruit and salad positions are reversed as it is more convenient to put ice cream on cold trays when they are in the conveyor carts if dish is on outside; therefore, same position is kept all times.







DIET CARD (Special)		
NAME OF PAT	ROOM	NO.
PATIENT'S NAME		
BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER
TOAST	BREAD	BREAD
TEA	DEW	DEW
LS BLAND- SUGAR LS BUTTER LS BUTTER LS BUTTER LS W TST LS W BRD LS W BRD T MILK T MILK T MILK BL FRUIT LS BL DESSERT BL FRUIT OR LS JCE LS BLAND MEAT OR SUB. LS BL CEREAL LS BLAND POTATO LS BL EGG LS BLAND VEGETABLE		
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Above: Every special diet is printed on a "Special Diet Card," as shown above, by the use of metal address plates. The 50 different plates can be modified a number of ways, i.e. low calorie, low sodium, and bland. LS refers to Low Sodium, BL to Bland, TsT is Toast, T is Tea, JCE is Juice, W is White, BRD is for Bread, SUB is Substitute. Items are always placed in same spot.

Reproduction of several colored lantern slides used to demonstrate each procedure are shown in black and white on this and next page. Slides are used with a step-by-step description of the three positions. Lettering on slides indicates which hand to use for each procedure. For tray Position 1 the procedure is: Take tray from stack and set on counter. Straighten napkin and place card on tray. For breakfast, give menu, if needed. Read card. Place silverware on tray. Left, top: Take fork in left hand and knife and spoon in the right with knife blade turned toward the left. If a soup spoon is used, it is placed in the center as the teaspoon fits better beneath the cup and saucer. Place cup and saucer in lower right hand corner (left, center), pick up salt, pepper and sugar in right hand and bread plate in left. Then place cream with right hand, butter in left. For position 2, dinner or supper, read card or menu. Use tongs to pick up bread in right hand (left, bottom). Place jelly, either hand.

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### Suggested menu description:

#### HOT TURKEY SANDWICH SUPREME

Slices of tender turkey on toast points...covered with a creamy parsley-celery sauce...on the side—a peach half, filled with tangy cranberry-orange relish.



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**Suggested menu description:** GOLDEN HADDOCK FILLET DINNER. Deep-sea fillet baked to a golden brown in a satin-smooth, creamy celery-cheese sauce...with parsley potatoes.

Recipe: Portions: 50 4-ounce servings plus 2 ounces sauce.

INGREDIENTS	MEASURE AND WEIGHT
haddock fillets	12 lbs.
flour	2 cups (8 oz.)
Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup	2 cans (3-lb. 2-oz. size)
shredded process cheese	4 cups (1 lb.)
chopped parsley	$\frac{1}{4}$ cup
paprika	dash

### METHOD

1. Cut fish into serving pieces; dip into flour; arrange in single layer in 3 greased baking pans (12"x18"x2").
2. Spread soup over fish; sprinkle with cheese, parsley, and paprika.
3. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) for about 45 minutes.



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Above: Employee picks up milk in left hand, straw in right. If tea is called for, she picks up bag in right with tongs.



Left hand used for juice, right for ice, with tongs. When reading selective menu, juice is placed on tray last.

screen with the instruction sheet and menu in their laps. The dietitian introduces the class and explains to the employees that the colored slides were made in the kitchen and they will be seeing some of their supervisors as demonstrators. A slide is shown for each step and it is discussed, with the reasons given for each unusual procedure, why the fork is placed near the knife instead of the usual conventional left side of the main plate, for example. (When hot food is transferred from hot tray to cold tray the fork was always getting pushed beneath the plate so it was decided to put the fork next to the knife to save unnecessary handling of the fork and to keep the tray looking neat.)

After all of the slides for Position 1 have been reviewed and discussed, the employees discuss the evening menu and individual diet differences

as to salt, pepper and sugar. The bread plates have a dual purpose: to hold bread and also to serve as a cover for soup. Regular butter and low sodium butter are differentiated by cutting off the corner of the paper butter chip. Cleanliness is especially emphasized in handling silver and dishes. It is the responsibility of the employee on Position 1 to check for cleanliness of the dishes and silverware put on the trays.

The employees are given the following day's menu for regular, bland and low sodium menus with instructions to study for preparation to work on the assembly tray line in Position 1 at the noon meal. The next day the employee is trained on the tray assembly line with complete supervision. The following day the employee is given more responsibility on the tray line and by the third time he needs little or no help working the position. Of

course, it means continual daily study of menus by the employee and practice on the tray line during times other than meal hours, i.e. developing dexterity in picking up salt, pepper and sugar packets with one hand and in a neat, orderly fashion. After the employee has successfully mastered the position and has a greater appreciation of his responsibility for efficient tray service he is given a review of the colored slides. A similar method of training is followed for Positions 2 and 3.

Our medical illustrations laboratory made our colored lantern slides of the tray assembly line service. The dietary department drew the plans and the laboratory did the photography. The slides were developed for use in both centralized and decentralized tray service and can be easily adapted to any hospital. Eye and hand coordina-



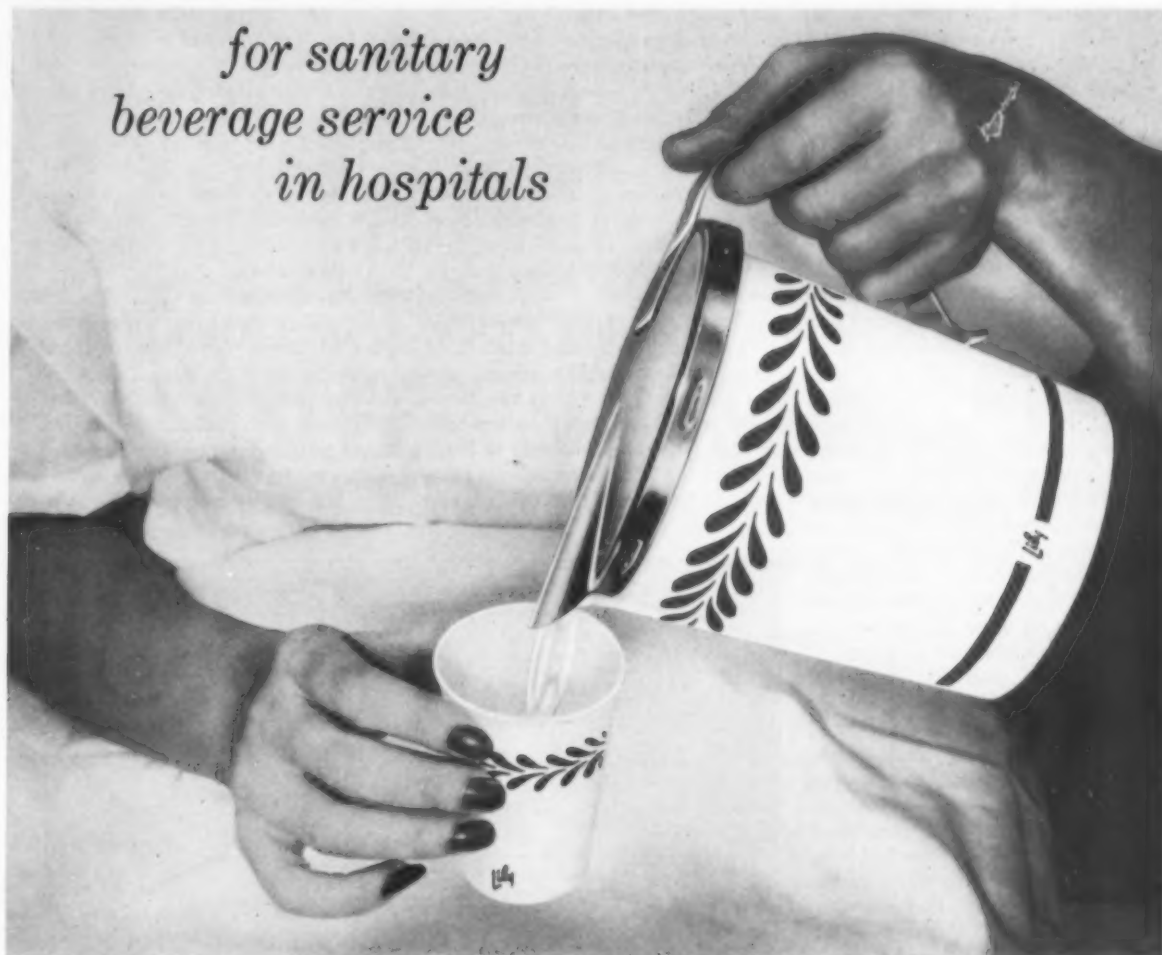
Dessert and salad are put on at same time if neither has an accompaniment which requires the use of both hands.



Right hand is used to put on meat accompaniment while left hand adds crackers to nearly completed cold tray.

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tion was emphasized as well as sanitation. We have five different types of tray cards or menus and the training had to be planned to fit all situations.

Every special diet is printed on a special diet card by means of an addressing machine.\* There are 50 different metal address plates and each can be modified a number of different ways, i.e. low calorie, low sodium, bland and so on. The same abbreviations are used throughout the system and the items are always placed in the same spots so the employees can learn their position and depend upon the item always to be in the same position, thus eliminating unnecessary reading. Employees are trained with this in mind; they learn to spot-read selective menus the same way.

The selective menus are printed on different colored paper to designate regular menus (white), bland (green) or low sodium (yellow). In addition, there is a regular diet card for patients who are not on a special diet but who are unable to select their own food.

The project was interesting and everyone thoroughly enjoyed helping with the production of the colored slides even though regular dishwashing and cooking had to continue around the stage. One problem encountered was having the same items available each time a picture had to be retaken and having the tray identical to the one on the slide that was taken the previous week. Paper supplies differ from time to time; bread and milk contracts were awarded to different companies during the photography, making the wrappers vary. These are a few things to keep in mind if you attempt the same project. Dishes must be the same and the design must be arranged the same each time.

The cost of producing the slides was comparatively low. The employees were especially interested in making the slides and have shown continued

interest in using them. The supervisory food service workers were the "actors" and food service workers enjoy seeing their supervisors rather than a dietitian in the actual work areas. The dietitian supervised the actual photography. Another advantage of making the slides in the employees work area is that the employee doesn't have to visualize himself in a foreign situation. He is at home and he can concentrate on the step-by-step instruction.

The training of new employees is more thorough today than it has been. A new employee is able to recall a picture more easily than he is able to recall a printed fact, but if he has both he can't go wrong if he tries to learn. The training of new employees is more uniform because of the colored lan-

tern slides and supplemental mimeographed material. Any dietitian can conduct the class if the regularly scheduled training dietitian is on vacation. The orientation of new employees doesn't have to be discontinued because of a lack of training personnel. The supervisory food service workers can be trained to continue the classroom training as well as on-the-job training. The procedure is specific. Everyone teaches the same way. An employee doesn't become confused when several people train him or correct him. The standard routine is set up and everyone follows it.

The development of the colored lantern slides is just one phase of our training. We have others. We try to have the employees participate in the activities as much as possible. Our baker, Clabe Ellett, who has been with the hospital since it opened in 1928, has completed a set of animated drawings to represent the Basic 7 food groups. He enjoyed doing it and the other employees have gained more knowledge about the Basic 7 from his drawings than from any other chart. They point with pride at the work of one of their coworkers. It is fun to develop new training aids when enthusiasm is shown by everyone. ■

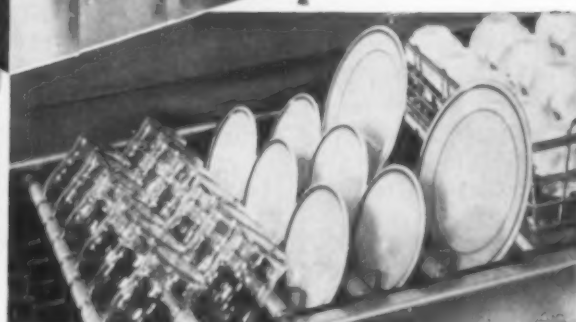
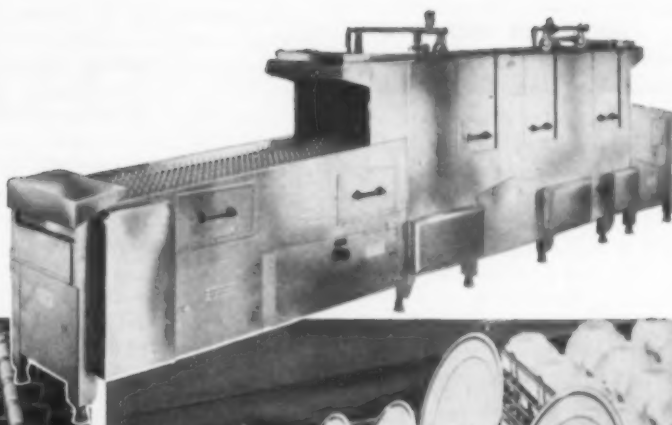


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Tray line position 3 begins with the employee calling the diet to the cook. The instructions tell her to hold card up so cook can see lips move, and to speak clearly. She places beverage pot, checks the cold foods and condiments. When the hot food is delivered she checks it, covers it, and puts it on food conveyor. Tray assembly ends when cold food tray is placed on conveyor.

\*This method was developed by Olive C. Carlson, assistant chief, dietetic service, Veterans Administration Hospital, Portland, Ore.

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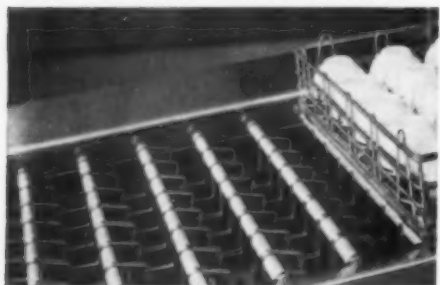


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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

### How To Use Dry Milk

Instant nonfat dry milk is advantageous for use in hospitals because it is easy to prepare, convenient to store, and provides an economical way to add nutritive value to foods prepared with it, according to Catherine Turner, assistant professor of home economics at the University of Alabama.

She offers several suggestions for using the dried milk.

Milk is a source of essential miner-

als, proteins and B vitamins, but instant nonfat dry milk is lower in calories than whole milk and can therefore be used to advantage in diets requiring a low calorie content, she suggests. The nutritive value can be increased by adding an extra amount of powdered milk when it is reconstituted. The increase may be as much as one-third cup of powder per quart of liquid.

The dry milk can be reconstituted when liquid milk is needed for any recipe. In baking and other food processes where dry ingredients are used,

the milk can be mixed with the dry ingredients and water added in the amount of the milk required by the recipe. Some food service managers prefer to reliquify at one time all the milk they estimate will be needed for the day, while others reconstitute it by the recipe.

Miss Turner suggests that dry milk be bought only in quantities and packages that will keep in good condition for the time it will be stored.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture offers these suggestions for storing dry milk:

Store milk powder in a cool, dry place, preferably not warmer than 75°F. It should keep this way on the shelf for several months. Nonfat dry milk keeps somewhat better than whole milk powder.

If milk powder is put in the refrigerator, it should be transferred to an airtight jar or can.

Whenever dry milk is stored, the container should be tightly covered. Milk powder takes up moisture and gets lumpy if exposed long to air.

Fluid milk made from milk powder needs to be kept cool, clean and covered just like any other fluid milk. It should be kept refrigerated.

### Freezing Meat

The importance of scrupulously clean and prompt handling of meat for freezing is stressed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to those who are putting meat in freezers.

In tests with samples of pork in frozen storage for 12 weeks, it was found that many bacteria that cause deterioration or spoilage of meat survive or even increase in frozen storage. This disproves the old widespread belief that freezing kills bacteria. It was found that some bacteria survive in a dormant stage and then may increase after the meat thaws and warms up. Still others are not affected by freezing, even at zero °F, and may contribute to such deterioration as rancidity of pork fat during freezer storage.

The only way to be sure of a low bacterial count on meat that comes out of freezer storage is to have the bacterial load low on the fresh meat to be frozen. This calls for careful sanitation — clean, cold, fresh meat; clean hands, tools and wrappings, and a clean surface for cutting and preparing the meat. Also helpful, the department said, is keeping the meat cold before and after freezing. ■



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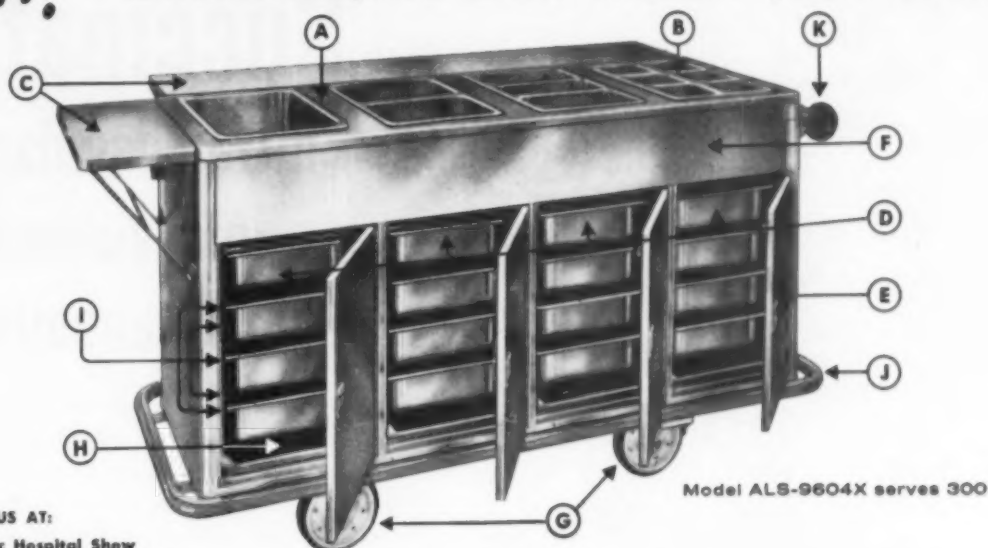
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<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Pineapple Chunks Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Beef, Gravy Whipped Potato Buttered Spinach Spring Salad Orange Clifton Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Minestrone Soup Italian Spaghetti Buttered Fresh Carrots Head Lettuce With 1000 Island Dressing Fruited Gelatin With Whipped Cream</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Sliced Orange Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Turkey, Gravy Parsley Buttered Potato Buttered Fresh Asparagus Pineapple and Pear Salad Cantaloupe Wedge</p> <p>•</p> <p>Split Pea Soup Meat Loaf, Gravy Buttered Brussels Sprouts Vegetable Cottage Cheese Salad Peach Tapioca Cream</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Apricots Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Chop Suey, Rice Buttered Zucchini Squash Tossed Green Salad, French Dressing Vanilla Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Navy Bean Soup Hamburger on Bun, Pickles, Mustard Buttered Green Beans Congealed Carrot and Pineapple Salad Bread Pudding With Lemon Sauce</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Link Sausage</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Veal, Gravy Whipped Potato Baby Green Lima Beans Relish Plate Angel Food Cake With Strawberries</p> <p>•</p> <p>Creole Soup Beef Stew and Vegetables Citrus Fruit Salad With Celery Seed Dressing Chocolate Nut Pudding</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Applesauce Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Grilled Halibut Whipped Potato With Cream Gravy Buttered Broccoli Coleslaw White Cake With Caramel Nut Frosting</p> <p>•</p> <p>Clam Chowder Baked Macaroni and Cheese Buttered Beets Hawaiian Fruit Plate Orange Sherbet</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Cantaloupe Wedge Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Swiss Steak, Gravy Steamed Potato Buttered Corn Grapefruit and Stuffed Prune Salad Vanilla Pudding With Whipped Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Beef Noodle Soup Creamed Vegetables on Toast Broiled Tomato Slices Deviled Egg Salad Fresh Banana</p>
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Fresh Strawberries French Toast, Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Baked Ham Steamed Rice Buttered Green Peas Jellied Harlequin Salad Black Walnut Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Tomato Soup Beef Biscuit Roll, Gravy Buttered Fresh Asparagus Stuffed Celery Chilled Grapefruit Half</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Banana Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Breaded Veal Cutlet, Gravy Whipped Potato Broccoli and Cheese Sauce Tomato Salad Coconut Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Split Pea Soup Ham Loaf, Cream Sauce Buttered Spinach Pineapple Salad With Avocado Mayonnaise Lemon Junket</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Canned Plums Sausage Pattie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Escalloped Chicken Harvard Beets Mixed Green Salad Banana Cream Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Celery Soup Braised Tenderloin Tips With Mushrooms Stewed Tomatoes Head Lettuce With Chiffonade Dressing Fruit Cup</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Prunes With Orange Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Rib Roast of Beef, Gravy Whipped Potato Parsley Buttered Carrots Congealed Lime Cabbage Salad With Fruit Dressing Fresh Strawberry Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>French Onion Soup Tomato, Cheese Macaroni Buttered Green Beans Rolled Banana Salad Chocolate Cake</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Fruit Cocktail Crisp Bacon</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Leg of Lamb, Mint Jelly Steamed Potato Buttered Brussels Sprouts Minted Pear Salad Coconut Butterscotch Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Navy Bean Soup Tuna Noodle Casserole Buttered Zucchini Squash Relish Plate Pineapple Upside-down Cake</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Apricots Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Baked Filet of Salmon Escalloped Potatoes Buttered Baby Green Limas Coleslaw Peach Cobbler</p> <p>•</p> <p>Tomato Noodle Soup Toasted Cheese Sandwich Buttered Mixed Vegetables Sliced Orange and Avocado Pineapple Sherbet</p>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Apricot Nectar Breakfast Ham</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Pork Loin and Applesauce Whipped Potatoes, Gravy Buttered Spinach Stuffed Peach Salad Oatmeal Cookie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Fresh Vegetable Soup Spanish Style Meat Balls Buttered Fresh Asparagus Tossed Green Salad Fresh Grapes</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Fresh Orange Juice Hot Cakes With Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Fried Chicken, Gravy Buttered Rice Buttered Frozen Green Peas Congealed Cherry Nut Salad Chocolate Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Green Bean Soup Salisbury Steak, Gravy Buttered Corn Tomato and Cucumber Salad Danish Dessert</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Fresh Strawberries Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Broiled Lamb Chop Baked Potato Creamed Carrots and Celery Sliced Orange Salad, Fruit Dressing Lemon Layer Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Tomato Bouillon Beef Stew, Dumplings Buttered Green Beans Pineapple and Cottage Cheese Salad Butterscotch Pudding</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Applesauce Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Turkey Pot Pie Whipped Potatoes Harvard Beets Relishes Cheese Cake With Crushed Pineapple Topping</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Green Pea Soup Barbecued Spareribs Buttered Broccoli Caesar Salad Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Link Sausage</p> <p>•</p> <p>Braised Liver and Onions Au Gratin Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Chef's Salad Peach Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Pepper Pot Soup Eggs a la King on Toast Baby Green Lima Beans Banana and Pineapple Gelatin Salad With Fruit Dressing Chocolate Brownies</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Canned Figs French Toast With Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Breaded Pork Chop Spanish Rice Buttered Zucchini Squash Sliced Tomato Salad Baked Apple</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Potato Soup Salmon Loaf, Cream Sauce Potato Chips Buttered Green Peas Hawaiian Fruit Plate Velvet Crumb Cake</p>
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**James H. Spencer, M.D.**

THE assumption that the emergency ward of a hospital could be a liability might seem paradoxical — yet it can be true. In order to avoid any involvement in hazy semantics let us agree that by the emergency ward we are considering that department of the hospital to which come patients needing emergency care. This is in contrast to the regular admitting office to which patients come when their hospital admission has been premeditated, and to the various clinics operating on fixed schedules. We may call it the accident room, the accident suite, the emergency room, the emergency ward, or by any other term as long as we keep in mind that it is where the public comes for medical help in a hurry. If we fail to accept the public's definition of the emergency ward, we take the first step toward making it a liability rather than an asset. Just as a physician must assume that any patient coming to his office needs medical care or at least medical attention, so must the emergency ward attendant assume that the patient who appears in this department needs prompt attention.

Ernest C. Shortliffe and his asso-

ciates at the Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., have stated their basic concept of a hospital emergency suite as follows: "An emergency service should offer to the public at large, and the medical community in particular, adequate facilities in which the emergencies of the area could be handled."

J. T. Howell and R. C. Buerki have stressed the public relations aspect among the many facets of emergency

room care in the hospital. They state, "The emergency room could be a major source of expert diagnosis and treatment in almost any community, a vital factor in public relations since a hospital's professional reputation often rides on the fate of patient care in its emergency unit."

That many hospitals are called upon to go beyond the accepted functions of the emergency ward in the operation of this department is well known. This added patient load in the emergency ward may be the result of a difference of opinion between doctor and patient as to what constitutes an emergency. It may be an attempt on the part of the patient to by-pass the doctor in his search for medical care. This plan may be motivated by a desire of the patient to avoid the doctor's fee. In some communities this effort backfires, for the patient winds up with a hospital bill, plus the doctor's bill, when the latter might have been sufficient. Who is to say that he is not getting his just deserts?

The increased use of the emergency ward may be the result of the doctors' taking patients there for minor surgical procedures which they used to do in their offices, and, perish the thought, it has even been suggested that doctors may send patients to the emergency ward rather than to more competent fellow practitioners when they do not feel quite up to dealing

### **An Emergency Room Needs:**

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with the patient's problem. The lack of availability of doctors at night, and on week ends or holidays, has also been mentioned.

Whatever the reason for the growing use of the emergency wards for real emergencies and for medical care of a less urgent category, the problem is there and must be faced. A concerted effort to reeducate patients in the value of the family doctor would probably help to lessen the load on the emergency rooms, but no efforts along this or any other line will reduce the number of situations where an emergency ward is really needed by both patients and doctor.

References to the effect of increased mechanization and speed on our way of living have been repeated *ad nauseam*, but until the medical profession and its institutions of learning recognize this effect and prepare for it, the references must continue. The indifference toward adequate teaching of good care of the injured has been the concern of many proponents of such care for years. This was in the minds of the group of men who organized the Committee on Fractures of the American College of Surgeons many years ago, and still in their minds when they increased the scope of this committee's activities by changing the name to the Committee on Trauma.

It was this concern that moved Arnold R. Griswold to say at a meeting of the American Medical Association more than a decade ago: "The surgery of trauma is the oldest and the most important form of surgery, yet in teaching and in practice it is, even today, the most neglected form of surgery except for brief interludes during the war." He goes on to say that this is "... because of the neglect of the professional teachers in surgery, the teachers and the professors in our schools of medicine. The academic interests of these men have not been in the surgery of injury but in the more difficult and complicated though less common forms of surgical gymnastics." He continues, "Instead of having an interest in the surgery of injury, many professors have been more interested in determining how many pounds or feet of the abdominal contents or how much of the pulmonary tree or the brain can be removed and still have a live patient."

If it is permissible to quote myself, I will restate what I said in an address several years ago. "The departments of surgical research are combing the human body for new areas of attack. Blood trying to reach the liver by the portal vein is being shunted off in another direction, spoonful of cerebrum are being removed from the cranium,

the pancreas and adrenal glands are being roughly dealt with, and more and more nerves are being divided at their roots."

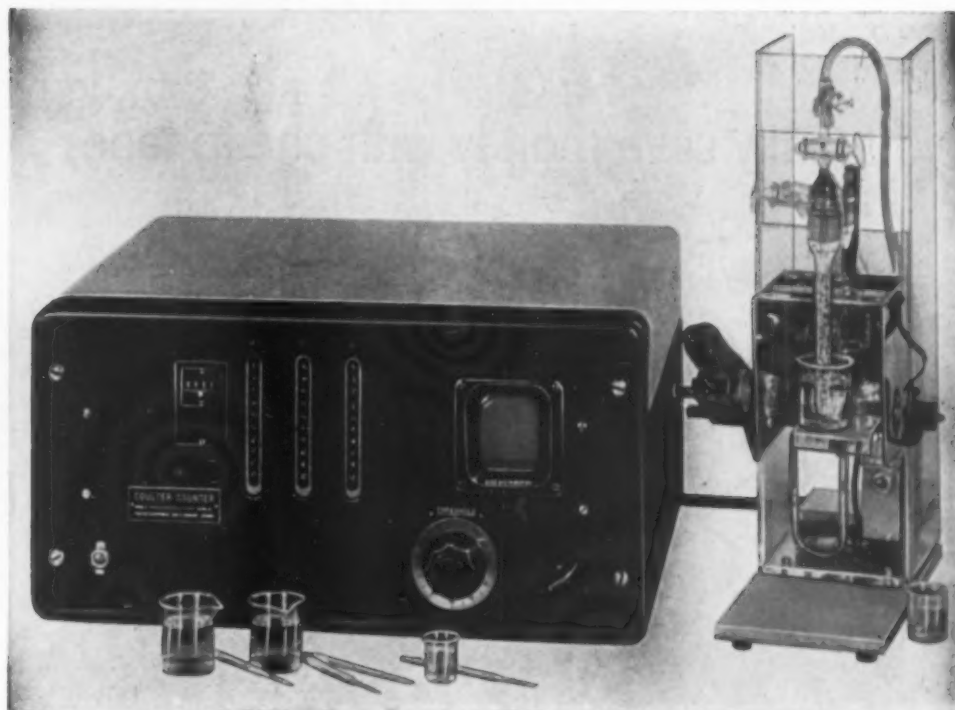
I added that I was fully aware of the importance of these procedures and granted that the time might come when I would gladly submit to one of them, but that, "... right now my aspirations as a prospective patient are directed more toward the hope that, if I stick my hand into a buzz saw in my basement, there will be an M.D. around who knows how to put tendons together." It was rather impudent of me to make these seeming wisecracks for it was a university surgeon who had suggested that I be invited to give the address. However, he was generous enough to tell me later that my point was well taken.

There are so many local, state and national organizations teaching and practicing good first aid, that this area of the care of the injured seems to need less critical review than some others. I believe also that a scrutiny of what takes place after the injured patient is formally admitted to the hospital and definitive care is started, or at least planned, would reveal that this phase of the care of the injured is fairly well covered in most communities. Certainly in the hospitals blessed with trained surgeons there is always someone who will thrill at the prospect of removing a ruptured spleen or fixing a fractured femur. It is in between that we find the weak link in the chain. How can we get the trained physician to take an interest in the patient who might have a ruptured spleen and accept the challenge of staying by the problem until a solution is reached? How can we be sure that a competent physician will make a thorough search for other less evident injuries than the frankly fractured femur? When we can answer these questions we shall be well on the way to assuring ourselves that the emergency ward is an asset and not a liability.

It was the desire to get the answer to these and other questions concerning emergency ward care that led a group of New Jersey surgeons to plan a critical survey of these facilities in the hospitals in that state. This program is currently the No. 1 objective of the New Jersey Regional Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons. It has had the

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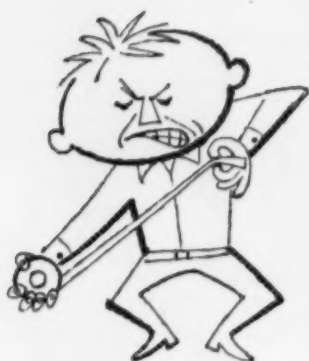
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The surveys are made at the re-  
quest of hospital administrators by  
teams of volunteers from other hospi-  
tals. Most of the survey teams to date  
have been made up entirely of sur-  
geons, usually three in number, but  
in some cases an administrator from  
another hospital is on the team. It has  
been my experience in serving on  
several of these teams that while the  
purpose of these visitations is to help  
the hospital visited, I have never failed  
to learn something that I can bring  
back to my own hospital.

Some of the good points, as well as  
the weaknesses, picked up in these  
surveys are worth recording. Although  
we use a rather detailed check list  
on these surveys, the data collected  
and used for evaluation of any emer-  
gency ward may be entered under two  
headings: (1) physical facilities, to in-  
clude space, equipment and supplies,  
and (2) organization and personnel.

My observations in connection with  
these team surveys have been aug-  
mented by visits to eight hospitals,  
ranging from 75 to 350 beds, in the  
states of Ohio and Pennsylvania. My  
main objective in visiting these hospi-  
tals on either side of the Ohio-Penn-  
sylvania border was to see and learn  
something about emergency rooms in  
community hospitals.

From the standpoint of physical  
facilities many hospitals have suffered  
from the ignorance of hospital archi-  
tects about such matters and the  
failure of medical staffs to insist on  
adequate and conveniently arranged  
space. Rooms that are too small in size  
and in number and poorly located with  
regard to entrances and exits and  
relationship to laboratory and x-ray  
facilities are glaring weaknesses often  
seen.

However, pleasant surprises are oc-  
casionally encountered. I recently  
visited a 60 bed hospital where four  
rooms, connected by a corridor, were  
available for care of accident cases.  
These rooms provided adequate space  
for seven tables or stretchers on which  
injured patients might be treated, and  
five of these were in place ready for  
use. One of the rooms was known as  
the "emergency room" and was used  
when only one or two patients re-  
quired stretcher care at the same time.  
The second room was actually the "re-  
covery room," but its location and  
equipment made it available for the

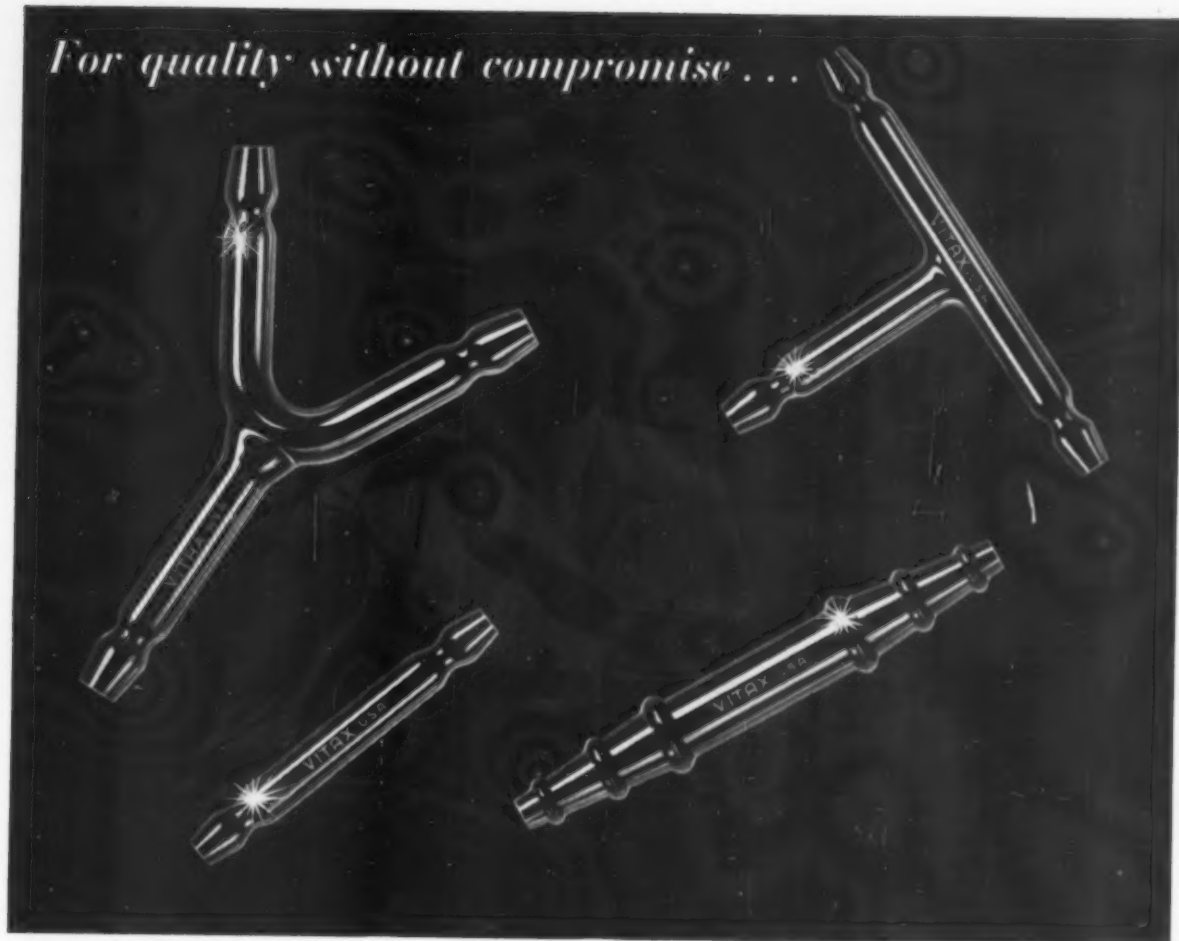
adequate care of seriously injured  
patients. It has always seemed to me  
that the facilities of a well equipped  
recovery room are ideal for dealing  
with many of the complications of the  
seriously injured patient, since these  
complications are likely to be the same  
as those seen immediately following  
major surgery. The other two rooms  
in this suite were adequate in size and  
the lighting was superior.

However, the most impressive fea-  
ture of this whole setup was the ar-  
rangement and labeling of the sup-  
plies. An extremely complete supply  
of equipment, drugs, plasma ex-  
panders, and so on was conveniently  
stored in easily opened wall cabinets  
with large numbers on their doors. On  
the wall, in fact covering an area about  
8 by 10 feet, was a complete index of  
the supplies in large block letters with  
the cabinet numbers where each item  
was stored opposite the item (p. 116).

The members of the survey team  
were loud in their praise of the whole  
physical setup. Feeling that we ought  
to offer some constructive criticism I  
suggested that they change the label  
on the "tracheotomy" set to "tracheos-  
tomy." It was the only thing I could  
criticize, but of course the important  
thing was that the set was there ready  
to use not off somewhere in a central  
supply room with the key in a super-  
visor's pocket. This hospital building  
is quite new. The plans were drawn by  
a competent young architect who does  
not pose as a specialist in hospital  
planning. The medical staff is made  
up almost entirely of general prac-  
titioners, but someone obviously had a  
good conception of accident room care  
and got together with the architect  
with a good result.

Lighting is a deficiency in some  
emergency rooms and one that is easy  
to correct. Good treatment tables are  
also easy to get but require consider-  
able funds. There are a number of  
satisfactory makes, but the best ones  
will cost from \$400 upward. The hy-  
draulic types will cost well over that  
figure. A good table for the treatment  
of severely injured patients should be  
one on which any necessary proce-  
dures can be carried out. It should be a  
combination operating table and  
wheeled stretcher. The wheels should  
lock. It should be easily adjustable to  
the shock position and should have  
easily attached standards to hold flasks  
of blood or plasma expanders so that  
these can go with the patient wherever  
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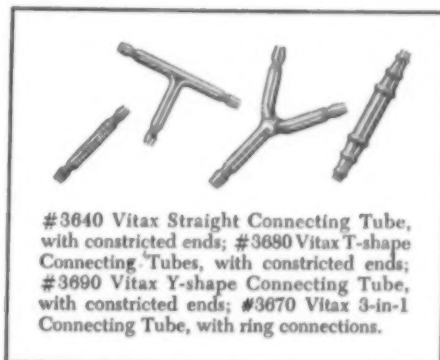
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carrying oxygen, making it unnecessary to push a tank along beside the table. Stirrups for the lithotomy position are an asset in certain situations and, of course, arm boards and restraining straps are frequently needed. Removable side rails will prove valuable at times, particularly if there is a personnel shortage and a patient is irrational.

These tables should be planned with the idea that the severely injured patient will be kept on them until such time as he is transferred to an operating table or to his own bed. They

should eliminate the transfers to other stretchers, x-ray tables, back to stretchers, and so forth.

The adequately equipped emergency ward will have good instruments. There is no excuse for faulty hemostats, worn-out tissue forceps, an inadequate assortment of needles, or lack of anything else that may be needed in a hurry. This is an operating room that is ready to go, not one where elective surgery is scheduled and the instruments can be picked out the night before. Anesthesia and resuscitation equipment should be there

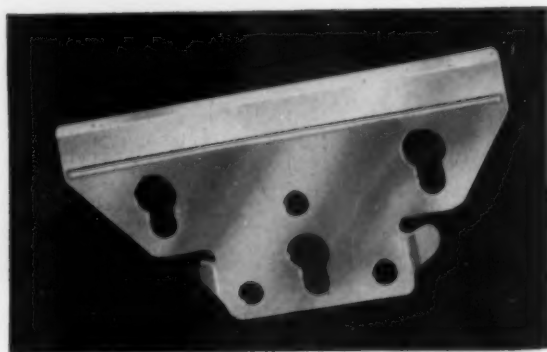
and in working condition at all times. The requisition of this equipment from the main operating rooms is definitely substandard practice. The gas tanks on these machines should be regularly checked in the daytime. There may not be time to replace empty tanks in the middle of the night. That same supervisor who has the key to central supply may have the key to the gas tank storage room. Many of these details are overlooked in good hospitals simply because no one has thought of them. They should become part of a regular routine.

Important as the physical facilities and equipment are, there is a much more important facet of good emergency ward care, the personnel. My visits to emergency rooms in other hospitals have brought out some interesting facts and in some places have plainly shown the level to which the care of the injured is relegated by those who should be most interested.

At one 75 bed hospital in Pennsylvania where there are two board certified surgeons on the staff, the administrator showed me the emergency room with justifiable pride. I then asked him about the professional coverage of this department and he explained the rotation system of the several general practitioners in the town. I asked him if the surgeons didn't share in this responsibility, too, and he replied, "Oh no, they are too busy, but of course they will come if an operation is necessary."

This phase of emergency room organization is the hardest of all to evaluate in the other fellow's hospital. It is a touchy subject and particularly so because so many hospitals have failed to realize the importance of training, experience and serious interest in this type of work. They may have clear-cut rules with regard to major and even minor surgery upstairs and a good, workable system of supervision of the younger, less experienced members of the staff, but in the emergency room the attitude may be that any doctor is all right. If it is a hospital with residents and interns, this "dirty work" may be turned over to the least experienced interns without even resident supervision. In fact the residents, who should be getting supervised training in this department, may not even have the opportunity to work there and thus may be missing an experience that might be most valuable to them when they enter private practice. If it is a hospital without in-

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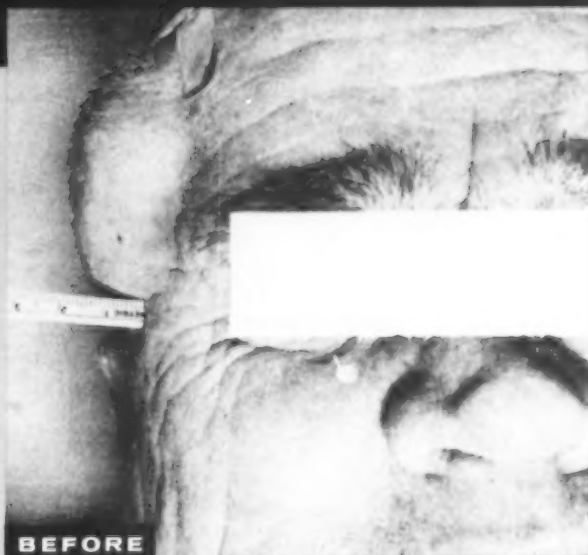
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terns or residents, the emergency room may be covered by indifferently trained and disinterested doctors, because those who might be more capable are too busy with what Dr. Griswold calls "the more difficult forms of surgical gymnastics."

The proper staffing of an emergency ward is one of the most difficult problems in hospital staff organization. If the hospital is large and there is a group of surgeons keenly interested in the surgery of trauma, the solution is much easier, but it must be borne in mind that the admissions are not all surgical. There are some grave medical emergencies requiring just as prompt attention and as skilled judgment as the ruptured spleen.

While I believe that owing to the high ratio of serious accidents as compared to serious medical emergencies, the responsibility for the emergency ward should be largely borne by the surgical department, a good working liaison should be established with the department of medicine. In fact, an ideal emergency ward organization will have available members of the medical staff from all departments. The variety of situations that may arise offers an excellent opportunity for the really interested general practitioner to play on the team.

The well qualified and conscientious general practitioner has my highest respect. He also has my profound sympathy if pseudo-specialists, for mercenary reasons, encroach on his field of endeavor. The general practitioner begins to lose my respect if he, for mercenary reasons, begins to become a pseudo-specialist: by this I mean, starts to invade the field of major surgery for which he is not trained. There was a time when he needed to do this, but that was yesterday. If the surgeon and the general practitioner will stick to their knitting they will gain and deserve one another's respect and neither need have any feeling of inferiority in the medical community.

I have indulged in this little excursion into medical practice philosophy in order to point out the type of general practitioner who is not only qualified to be a good emergency ward doctor, but can fill the key position. If he is keen enough he can be the quarterback and he will have the confidence and respect of the other more specialized members of the team, as well as the everlasting gratitude of the patient. It isn't a question of having an orthopedist or a general surgeon or

a doctor with any other title in the emergency room, but of having a doctor who will see the whole point, put first things first, and get help if he needs it.

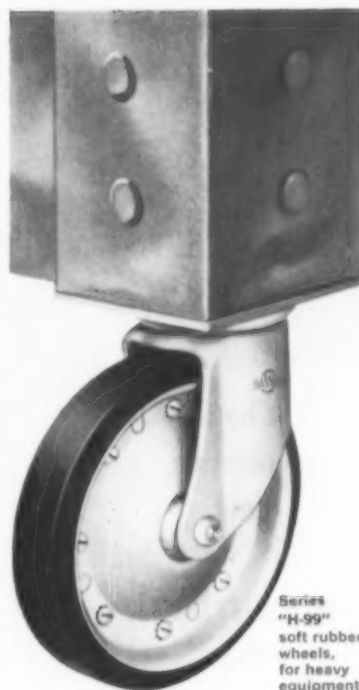
The selection of emergency room personnel does not stop with the roster of physicians. The team that surveyed the emergency room in my hospital reported that the nurse with whom they talked seemed well versed in the doings of that department, but pointed out that neither she nor any other nurse was regularly assigned there. We now have a regular emergency room nurse during the day shift and it is no longer necessary to call one of the floors and take potluck. Our evening and night supervisors cover those hours fairly well and don't often forget the keys. Other personnel, including nurse's aides and orderlies, need careful selection and at least a minimum of instruction for efficiency.

We have found that the hospitals that follow standardized procedures in certain emergencies seem to get the best results. This is particularly true in burns and in the treatment of shock. The effective treatment of poisoning also calls for standardization as there is seldom time for trial and error methods in these emergencies. The establishment of a "poison center" in the emergency department of the hospital will be a great boon to the physicians working in the department and to physicians who may use the center for information by telephone. The properly set up poison center not only furnishes available antidotes for most known poisons, but is prepared to give prompt and accurate information regarding antidotes in answer to physicians' telephone calls. Strategically located larger centers make available round-the-clock service in response to calls regarding less known poisoning agents.

Whether a hospital has a survey by an outside team or not, I heartily recommend to all hospitals that if they have emergency problems, they set up a carefully chosen committee representing administration, medical staff, and nursing services. If they do this, the emergency ward will be an asset and not a liability.

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## Operating Room Forum

# What You Don't Do Counts Most in Infection Control

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THE problem of staphylococcal infections persists. What happens in the operating room and how the problem is approached there is no more or less important than any other place in the hospital, but somehow it requires a more exacting attention to detail for this is where the organisms find the fertile ground of the open wound.

When there are violations of sterile technics which create dangers that pave the way for infections, most, if not all of them, are errors of omission, not of commission.

Attention to such minute details as how the air conditioning system is regulated is often disregarded only because the problems inherent in it are not understood. Simply stated, if the principle of positive pressure is maintained, that is, more clean air entering than is being withdrawn, there should be no recirculation of air or contamination of rooms by corridor air. Care and maintenance of the filters, coils and chambers of the unit should be the responsibility of the hospital engineering department working in cooperation with the air conditioner manufacturer's representative. A preventive maintenance program will pay dividends as one approach to the multiphasic problem.

Another such often overlooked consideration is the problem of traffic in and out of the operating room. Every time the door is opened and every time another person enters the room contamination increases in proportion to the number of people and amount of activity. With proper organization, the circulating nurses can remain in the room during the entire procedure. With adequate restrictions and an understanding of why, others can be prevented from "peeking" into the room during the procedure. Visitors can be limited, and those in the room can be kept to a minimum. In simple terms, the fewer the number of people in the room, the fewer the number of organisms in the environment, and the less is the chance of sepsis to the patient on the operating table.

Sometimes, the old idea of "we've always done it this way" prevents a change in a technic that could help cut down on the possibility of infections. One such problem is that of the sponge rack. It is my opinion that the sponge rack should be eliminated. Sponges drying on a rack mean the dispersion of organisms into the environment. In addition, the racks are extremely difficult to clean after being cemented with blood, serum and organic debris. Two waxed paper lined kick buckets can be used to collect, count and bundle sponges. At the end of the procedure, the liner and its contents can be disposed of. This technic meets the need and obviates a known hazard.

Another area where old ideas are a menace is that of the "indispensable person." Any member of the operating room staff with an upper respiratory infection, a skin lesion, or any other ailment in which organisms flourish, is dispensable! They constitute one of the greatest hazards to patients and other personnel. Such staff members should be returned to work only when they are completely recovered.

The only thing constant in life is change. In the operating room where life and death are in delicate balance, change may mean life in the never ending battle against infections. ■



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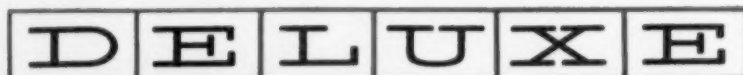
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a reasonable amount for bad debts will help reduce their losses to the point at which they cannot be of any consequence.

Much has been said by critics of the plan about an expected increase in the demand for hospital beds. The commission does not share this apprehension to any great extent because more than 70 per cent of the residents of the province already have some degree of hospital insurance, which means that most of the elective surgery will have been taken care of before this time. There will be some demand from those residents who have been unable to afford hospital insurance in the past and have been putting off needed care for financial reasons. That these persons will now have financial access to the care they require is a good thing. Given a year or two, most of this demand should disappear.

The commission recognizes that there is a shortage of chronic and convalescent beds in the province and that many acute hospitals have these types of patients in much needed active treatment beds. To relieve this situation, steps are being taken to convert unused beds in tuberculosis sanatoriums for use by long-stay patients. Also, criteria are now available whereby private nursing homes can be considered for approval as eligible to provide benefits under the insurance plan. Every effort is being made to deal with the immediate need for chronic and convalescent accommodations within the bounds of acceptable hospital and medical standards.

As to the cost of hospital care, it is not anticipated that this will rise any more rapidly than it has in the past. It is conceivable, however, that individual hospitals may be charging increased, or even decreased, rates if there have been inaccuracies in their past cost accounting.

The total effect of the work of the commission and the insurance plan will, undoubtedly, be of immense benefit to the people and hospitals of the province. The commission has one concern — the development of the best possible kind of hospital care for residents of the province and the most equitable and convenient method of paying for it. Only actual experience will tell how close Ontario is to that goal. ■



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## Let's Give the Public the Facts About Costs

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got to try to listen to what the person has to say, and we have got to realize that the person is telling us something as well as asking us.

This is an important point that students of communication are making today: People who are bothered rarely ask the questions that are in their minds! Most often they are using the question as a technic to tell us something, to get something off their chests, or to take out anew the frustra-

tions they may be facing with a member of the family, or with themselves, with a bad prognosis, or the frustration that comes as a result of a complaint of an entirely different nature from the circumstance they are asking about. In other words, they may be upset by something someone else has done, but we are the only ones they can get to listen, so they use this as a means of complaining about one thing while getting the other complaint off their chests! This is what we call grievance drainage. As we listen, we shouldn't think the other person is either stupid

or is trying to be nasty to us as individuals. Many times they have got to be nasty to somebody, because they need the satisfaction of telling someone off. They may not know who is really responsible or they may not want to antagonize that person.

Another point on the matter of communication is that the other person often won't hear what we say because in some cases he isn't interested in the answer to start with, and in other cases he knows what we are going to reply, or he thinks he does anyway, so what he hears is what he thinks we are going to say rather than what we do say.

This means that we can't go into any long discussions on hospital costs. We have got to be specific. We have to make sense to a person who has the same difficulties in listening to our replies that we have had listening to the question he was asking!

To be effective, we have to feel secure about what we are saying; we must know the basic answers to the questions about hospital costs. If I am going to give what will be taken as believable answers, then I must speak from a sense of security, I must feel that I know more than the questioner does about the questions asked me, and I must feel that in general I know nearly all there is to know about it. For this reason everyone in the hospital has a responsibility to ask questions of other people in the organization who may be in a good position to know the answers. When patients and relatives ask questions that the employee doesn't feel secure in answering, then I think the employee should refer the individual to the people who can give him the sort of information that will represent sensible, accurate and definite answers. The person who does give the answer to the patient should always inform the employee of the answer that was provided to the patient.

If we expect the public to understand hospital costs we must first understand them ourselves. The responsibility for such understanding begins with the administration which has access to all the information. This responsibility must be carried out, however, through those members of the organization who have contact with the patient and his relatives. This means that all of us within the hospital must have inside information and be willing to share it and interpret it to those on the outside. ■



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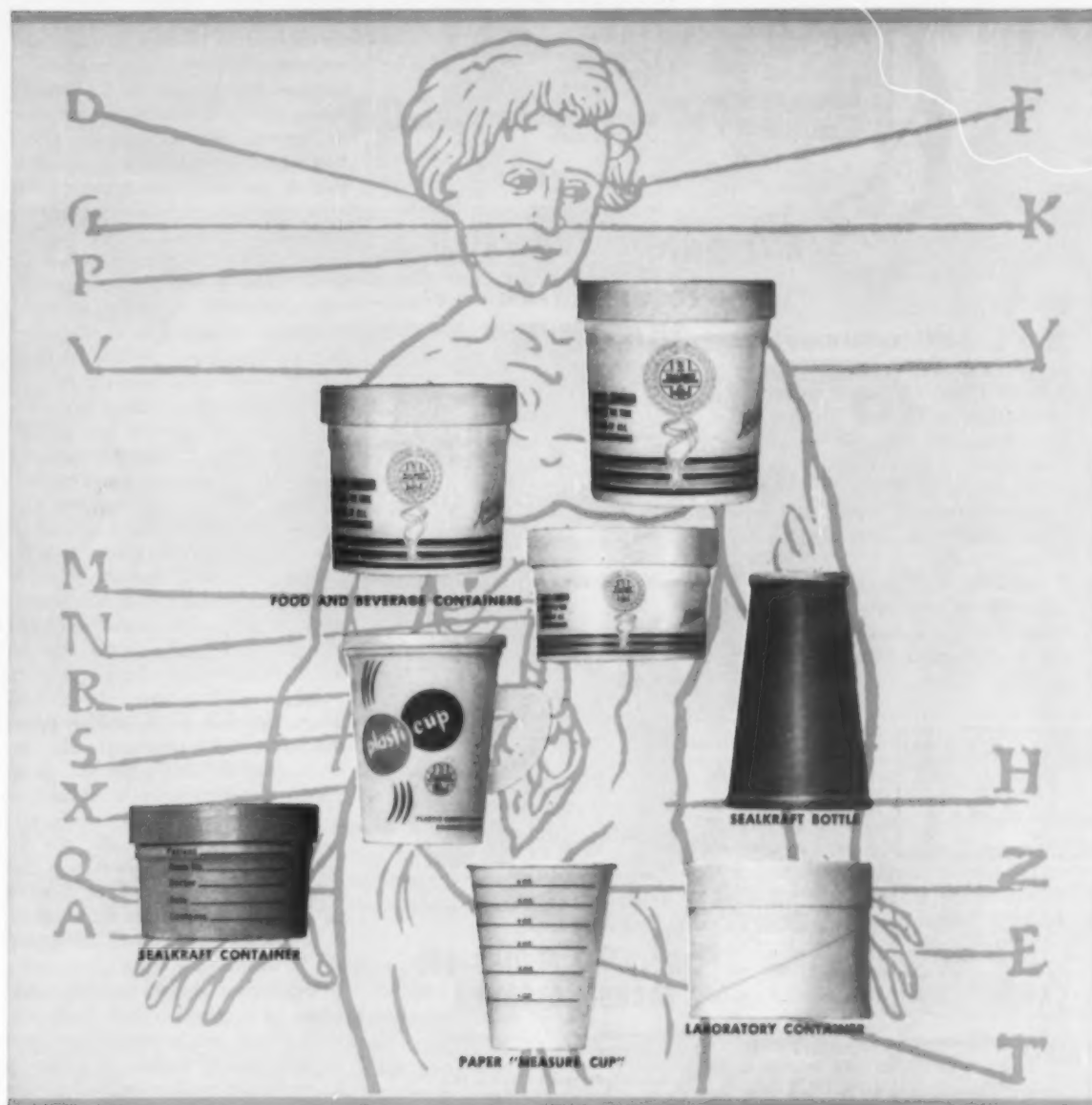
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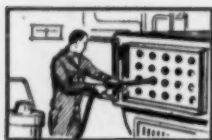
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#### A Conference Is As Good As Its Leader

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at by the group. A report of the general discussion is not necessary for most of the conferences we are discussing. The conference leader can also make excellent use of a recorder by occasionally asking him to state what he sees to be the general agreement of the group that might be committed to paper. If time is available during the conference, a recorder might make occasional summaries or one summary at the end indicating what he is going to include in his notes. If time does not permit, then a copy of the recorder's notes should be circulated to all the members participating in the conference as well as to other interested parties. It should be specifically stated that these are the recorder's notes and not the official minutes of the conference.

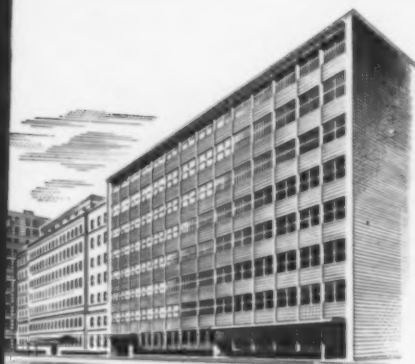
Sometimes, it is well to designate also one person as the *observer*. This person can possibly be described as the conscience of the group. It is his function to look at how the group is working rather than what it is accomplishing. He can be useful when the group appears to have bogged down in a discussion of personalities or is off on a tangent which appears to be splitting it into too many parts. At that point, the conference leader might ask him to indicate at what point the group appeared to get lost and what kinds of conference behavior appear to be getting in the way. Obviously, the observer would usually have to be a person with some training and be sensitive to group behavior. If such a person is available, his value to the group can be enormous.

Supervisors who are sincerely interested in developing their leadership skills should not become discouraged by early lack of success. In becoming a competent conference leader, time and patience are essential. A good coach or training program is also helpful. If conferences are used frequently in a hospital, the administrator might consider bringing in an outside specialist to work with the supervisors on just conference leadership. The cost of this will be more than returned to the hospital in the form of increasingly productive conferences.

Beginning with the next article, the training will move into a different area of concern to supervisors. The next few articles will deal with bringing the new employe onto the job, training him, and working on job improvement. ■

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# NEWS DIGEST

**Hospital-Blue Cross Honeymoon Is Over, A.H.A. President-Elect Says . . . National Hospital Week To Emphasize "More Roads to Recovery" . . . Union Sets Deadline in New York Hospital Labor Dispute . . . Roundup of Spring Conventions**

## Hospital-Blue Cross Honeymoon Is Over, A.H.A. President-Elect Tells Conference

ATLANTA. — The hospital-Blue Cross honeymoon is over, but divorce is unthinkable, a national hospital leader told the 22d annual assembly of the Southeastern Hospital Conference here last month.

Hospitals and Blue Cross plans will and should be critical of each other in a constructive way, but they must continue to live together, Dr. Russell A. Nelson, director of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and president-elect of the American Hospital Association, told the conference.

Gene Kidd, administrator of the Baptist Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., was named president-elect of the conference at the annual business meeting. He will succeed Oscar S. Hilliard, administrator of the John L. Hutcheson Memorial Tri-County Hospital, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., who became president during the conference. Robert A. Ivy, Doster Hospital, Columbus, Miss., was the retiring president.

Registration at the conference exceeded 2300, a record attendance, Charles W. Flynn, executive secretary, reported.

In its relationship with hospitals, Blue Cross must avoid becoming a "bargain-seeking negotiator," even though it has the financial power to take such a position, Dr. Nelson warned. Instead, he suggested, Blue Cross should use its financial resources to help hospitals expand and improve their educational programs.

"Blue Cross has a big stake in the future of hospitals and must recognize its responsibility for the future," he said.

If Blue Cross plans are forced by legislatures or state insurance officials into neglecting their responsibility for the financial future of hospitals, the entire voluntary hospital system may be undermined, Dr. Nelson told the group. He urged tighter self-control by Blue Cross plans and hospitals as the only way to forestall more and more

governmental interference with hospitals.

"Hospitals and their staff physicians must cooperate to guarantee high standards of patient care and self-restraint in the use of hospital facilities," he concluded.

Another speaker at the conference, James E. Stuart, executive vice president of the Blue Cross Association,



New officers of the Southeastern Hospital Conference are, left to right: Gene Kidd, president-elect, Oscar S. Hilliard, president, and Glenn M. Hogan, the executive secretary.

New York City, agreed with Dr. Nelson that hospitals and Blue Cross are facing a crisis that may threaten the future of the voluntary hospital and health care system. Elements of the crisis, as listed by Mr. Stuart, included:

1. Health care has come to be considered the right of all people, regardless of age, economic situation, or state of health.
2. Health care costs must continue to rise, as will utilization of hospital facilities.
3. Public education in the nature of hospital and health care problems and operations has been inadequate.
4. Prepayment programs must be extended to meet the needs of all people and fit the requirements of all hospitals.
5. Service benefits available through prepayment must be continuous, with-

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## National Hospital Week To Emphasize Theme, More Roads to Recovery

CHICAGO. — "More Roads to Recovery," the theme of National Hospital Week, May 10 through 16, emphasizes that the smallest hospital today can offer services that were unknown in even the great medical centers yesterday.

The American Hospital Association, sponsors of the week's observance, points out that not only have these new services been developed, but that "the great medical centers today are developing the routine hospital services of tomorrow."

Several examples are furnished by the association:

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"Radioactive isotopes were already in use for diagnosis and treatment in nearly 300 hospitals in 1952; by 1957 nearly 900 hospitals had radioactive isotope departments.

"Recovery rooms . . . have now been established in nearly 2000 hospitals compared with only 500 in 1951. The number of hospitals with premature nurseries rose from 1600 in 1953 to 2500 in only four years."

This expansion of complex services, the statement said, accounts for a large part of increased hospital costs.

General services such as housekeeping, laundry and plant operation and maintenance are not responsible for the jump in hospital costs, the association asserts. The big increase is in the cost of nursing and the special service departments, such as laboratory, x-ray, operating room, and medical records.

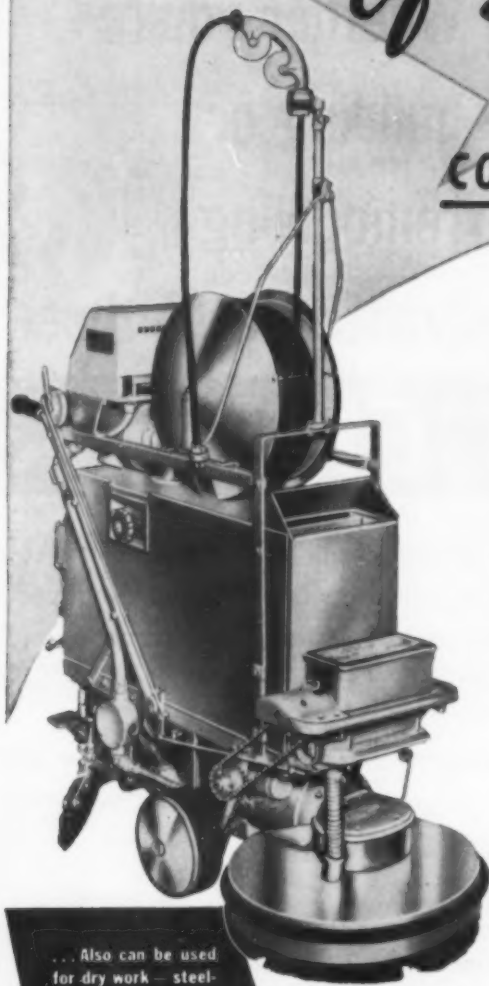
"The areas which directly provide the new roads to recovery represent the real increase in hospital costs," the association statement concluded.

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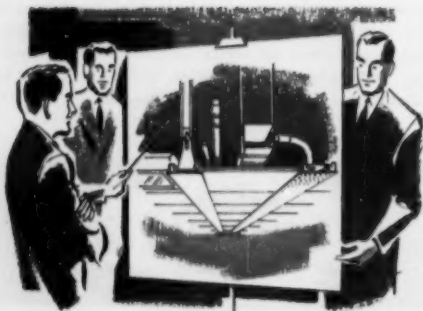
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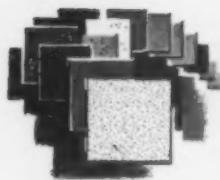
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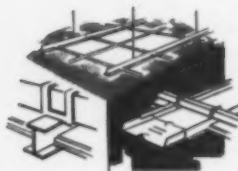
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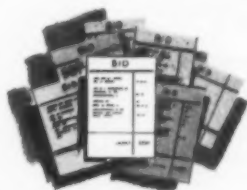
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## New York Union Sets Strike Deadline; Locals Picket in Hospital Labor Dispute

NEW YORK. — Threat of strikes faced six voluntary hospitals here when Local 1199 of the Retail Drug Employees Union announced an April 22 deadline for hospitals to recognize the union as bargaining representative for nonprofessional employees. (See story on Page 56).

Announcement of the deadline was one of three new major developments in the hospital labor dispute. Other developments were:

1. Local 302 of the State, County and Municipal Employees joined forces with City Employees Local 237 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in an effort to remove Local 1199 from the hospital field.

2. The teamsters and municipal employees unions picketed two hospitals, tying up trucks delivering hospital supplies.

The six hospitals affected by the strike deadline are Mount Sinai, Jew-

ish Hospital of Brooklyn, Bronx Hospital, Beth David, Beth Israel, and Lenox Hill Hospital. Leon J. Davis, president of Local 1199, announced that a majority of the nonprofessional workers at each of these hospitals had voted to have the union bargain for them.

In addition, Mr. Davis said, the union has majorities at Knickerbocker, Flower Fifth Avenue, Beth El, Poly-clinic, University, and Long Island Jewish hospitals.

It was under a similar strike threat that Local 1199 succeeded in gaining recognition and a contract in February at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx.

The employees organized by the drug employees union include dietary, housekeeping and laundry workers, nurse's aides, laboratory and x-ray technicians, registered pharmacists, and maintenance workers.

Locals 237 and 302, the two new entries in the voluntary hospital dispute, have been in a six-year feud in their efforts to sign up city employees. Each claims several thousand members among municipal hospital employees.

Deliveries of oxygen tanks and other vital supplies were interrupted at Presbyterian Hospital in March when 13 drivers encountered pickets. The picketing was primarily a demonstration by Local 302 of the state, county and municipal employees, who were joined by the teamsters.

A week later the teamsters union organized picket lines at New York Hospital. Dr. Henry N. Pratt, director of the hospital, said 50 trucks arrived at the hospital's entrances, but most of the drivers ignored the pickets. Drivers of 10 trucks refused to make deliveries.

Henry Feinstein, president of the teamsters local, had announced in advance that while the delivery of oxygen tanks would be assured, the hospital would "have to take its chances" on other deliveries.

Mr. Feinstein met with Dr. Pratt in an eight-minute conference 45 minutes before the picketing ended. It was the first contact between the union leader and the hospital official.

Dr. Pratt turned down Mr. Feinstein's request to talk about hospital employees or to turn the question of union recognition over to the city labor department. He told the teamster official that he did not believe it was

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Before the meeting he had expressed strong doubt of a union claim to represent a majority of the hospital's 2700 employees. The picketing was carried on by members of the teamsters local who were not hospital employees.

Commenting on efforts to head off the scheduled walkouts at six voluntary hospitals, the *New York World Telegram* said:

"All the strike threats in creation can't alter the economics of the situation. But they can, and do, pose a grave threat to the lives and welfare of hospital patients. The threat is more than grave—it's unthinkable and intolerable! A full-scale strike, particularly one accompanied by disruption of deliveries, could be literally a life-or-death crisis."

Meanwhile, the *Wall Street Journal* reported, there was evidence that the movement to organize nonprofessional hospital employees is spreading across the country. The teamsters union has already begun a drive to organize non-technical employees of county hospitals in Miami. James Hoffa, president of the teamsters, said he had turned down repeated requests to organize Detroit's hospitals because the climate of public opinion is not ready yet, the *Journal* reported.

Arnold S. Zander, president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, was quoted as saying his eventual goal is to sign up some 500,000 hospital workers in tax supported hospitals, but he denied a campaign directed at voluntary hospitals.

### Examination Scheduled for Foreign Trained Physicians

CHICAGO. — More than a thousand foreign trained physicians have already registered for the next qualifying examination of the Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates to be given September 22, according to Dr. Dean F. Smiley, executive director of the council.

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### Internship Offered in Hospital Housekeeping

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## Don't Overlook Trustees As Aids in Problem Solving, "Carolinas-Virginias" Told

ROANOKE, VA. — Hospitals may be guilty of overlooking an important group capable of helping them solve their problems, Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, director of the American Hospital Association, said in a speech delivered here last month at the 29th annual meeting of the Carolinas-Virginias Hospital Conference.

The 60,000 hospital trustees in the United States, said Dr. Crosby, must

assume responsibility for highest grade hospital service and help explain costs to the public. "One of our biggest mistakes," he said, "has been in not involving our hospital trustees in our problems."

One of these problems, perhaps the biggest, — a nursing shortage that seems to be expanding instead of shrinking — was examined by Dr. Russell A. Nelson, A.H.A. president-elect, in another session. Dr. Nelson, director of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, said that 10 per cent of all budgeted nursing positions in hospi-

tals today are vacant. He characterized this shortage of nursing personnel as "the most serious problem in patient care in hospitals today."

In view of the importance of nursing service to hospitals, said Dr. Nelson, "it is incredible that until last year the A.H.A. had a very limited nursing program." He called for joint effort by nurses, hospitals and physicians to "study, improve and carry on the nursing education accreditation program."

Dr. Nelson said that three factors have given rise to the demand for a joint accrediting service for nursing schools: (1) rising costs of nursing school accreditation service, (2) inflexibility of field inspection service, and (3) vagueness of accreditation standards.

Another area of concern to hospitals and nurses discussed by Dr. Nelson involved collective bargaining, "a practice of unions," said Dr. Nelson, "that has no place in nursing." More is needed here, he suggested, than passive resistance.

"The way to combat collective bargaining," he said, "is not to just oppose it but to eliminate the evils which have led to the demand by nurses for collective bargaining."

In a ceremony held during the conference, Dr. Nelson presented the grand safety award of the National Safety Council to William Flannagan, administrator of Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Va., who accepted it on behalf of the hospital.

The opening session of the two-day meeting, April 16 and 17, featured an address by the governor of West Virginia, Cecil H. Underwood, who said that some governmental involvement in medical care is inevitable. Government, he said, should step up its activities in the medical field but not to the point of cutting out private enterprise.

"I am confident," said Gov. Underwood, "that both private medical enterprise and complementary government efforts will face the challenge and act within the framework of our well recognized economic system."

Hospital administrators — and others — may have gone overboard in meeting the psychological needs of employees, J. Mitchell Graybard said at the final general session of the conference. Mr. Graybard, director of personnel, Smith, Barney and Co., New York City, said this attitude marks the end of an era in personnel relations.

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## V.A. Announces New Infection Control Plan

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A strict program of preventive measures against hospital infections, including those from drug-resistant staphylococcus, was announced by the Veterans Administration last month.

Dr. Irvin J. Cohen, V.A. assistant chief medical director for planning in Washington, D.C., said the new program is a precautionary move based largely on recent findings of a six-hospital V.A. study that has been under way for about 18 months to prevent hospital infections. He emphasized that there has been no serious outbreak of infection in V.A. hospitals.

The research study indicates an unexpected prevalence of the drug-resistant microbes among V.A. patients at the time of hospital admission, increasing the likelihood that several strains of staphylococcus are dangerous as potential causes of drug-resistant infection, Dr. Cohen said.

He said the new V.A. preventive program will be carried out jointly by the agency's hospitals and by V.A. area infectious disease reference laboratories, with coordination by the area medical offices and the central office.

Each V.A. hospital will establish its own infection committee with representation from all major hospital departments, including administrative, all clinical services, nursing, housekeeping and laboratory.

The committees will develop and monitor standards of "scrub and sterilize" cleanliness for the entire hospital and will make frequent checks to spot any rise in infection before an outbreak can occur, Dr. Cohen said.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. — Expansion of voluntary prepayment, greater efficiency in hospital and medical care and increasing inter-hospital cooperation offer the only hope for avoiding socialization of hospitals and medicine in the United States, Hal C. Perrin, administrator of Bishop Clarkson Memorial Hospital, Omaha, said here last month at the opening general session of the Mid-West Hospital Association's 31st annual meeting.

Resentment about increasing costs of health care has been caused by the failure of health care administrators to enlighten the public, Mr. Perrin said. As a result, "the threat of government medicine gives hospital people, doctors and insurance companies the shakes."

More than 2000 hospital administrators, auxiliary members, trustees and others registered for the convention, Margaret Barber, executive sec-

retary, reported. C. E. Copeland, administrator of the Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis, was named president-elect of the association during the meeting. He will succeed Herbert A. Anderson, administrator of Lincoln General Hospital, Lincoln, Neb., who became president.

James G. Carr Jr., administrator, Memorial Hospital of Natrona County, Casper, Wyo., was the retiring president.

To ensure efficient hospital facilities and services and avoid expensive duplication, Mr. Perrin suggested, all fund raising and hospital construction in the future may be carried out following approval by local, area and regional hospital planning councils.

In the future, he predicted, hospital educational costs now borne in large part by patients will be transferred to students. "Especially, I think tuition rates in most hospital schools of nursing are unnecessarily and unfairly low," he said. "It is forecast that the \$500 to \$1000 rates now commonly in effect will soon be \$1500 to \$2500 for a three-year course and that recruitment will not be adversely affected by this increase."

Another glimpse of the hospital future was presented by Tol Terrell, administrator of the Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital, San Angelo, Tex., and immediate past president of the American Hospital Association, who predicted that per diem costs may rise to \$45 within the next 10 or 15 years.

Mr. Terrell also predicted that in the future hospital patients will be "monitored" by television, physicians' offices will be based at hospitals, business procedures will be conducted largely by electronic computers, and outpatient departments will be substantially expanded.

Nevertheless, Mr. Terrell warned against overexpansion of hospital beds and facilities. "There is no need to increase the number of beds per 1000 population," he said.

Hospitals will compete for qualified personnel, but they should cooperate in planning facilities and services for their communities, Mr. Terrell agreed. "Only by such cooperative planning can a comprehensive program of health care be accomplished with the least possible cost," he said. "How many times we have services just to keep abreast of our neighboring hospitals. Our planning objective is com-

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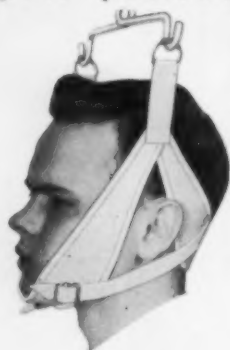
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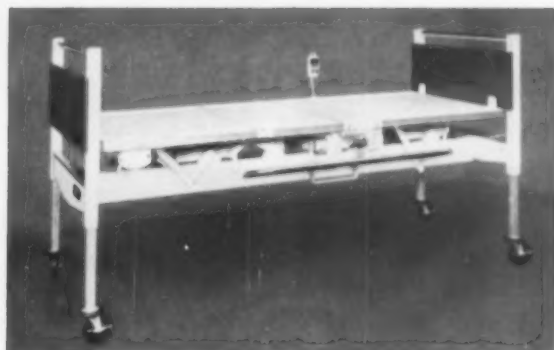
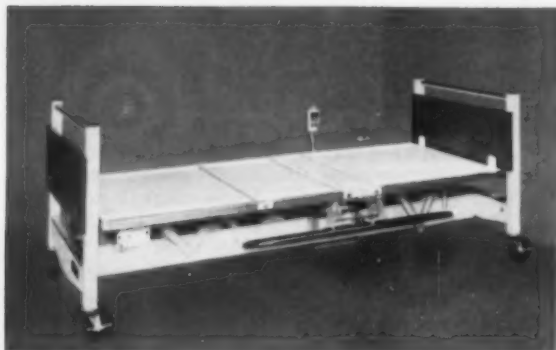
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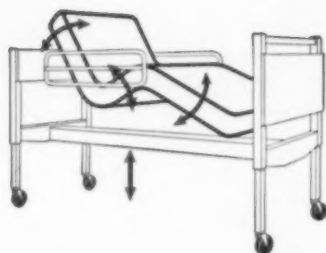
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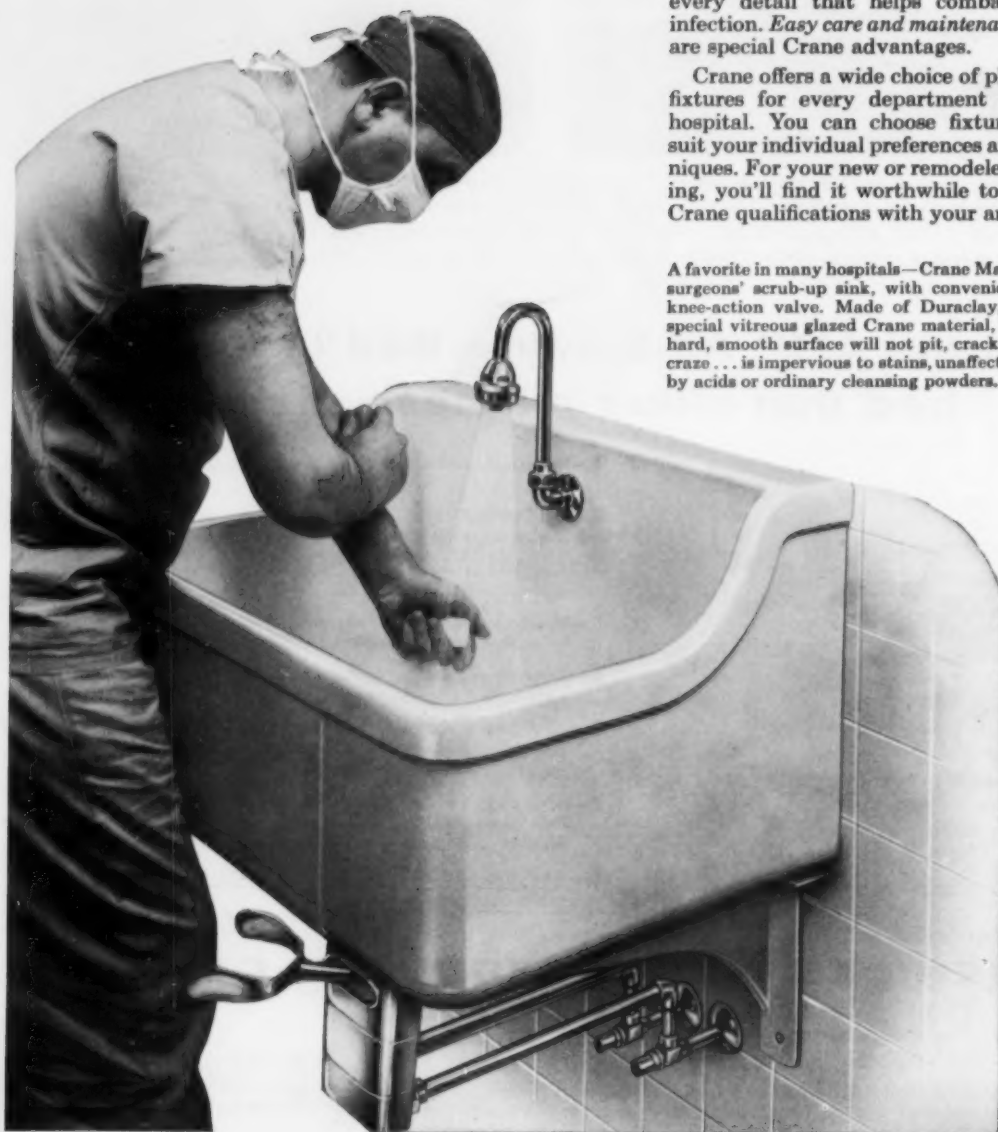
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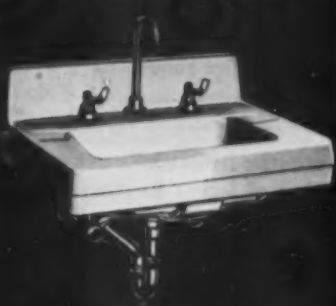
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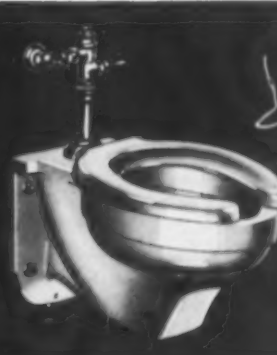
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plete and coordinated health care for our communities."

Mr. Terrell said there was merit in the concept of progressive patient care, where "Jones pays just for what he gets, and no part of the cost of what Smith gets."

Frank S. Groner, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, and immediate past president, American College of Hospital Administrators, urged administrators to consider facilities and services that provide extra hospital revenue as a means of im-

proving hospital service. Office buildings for physicians provide "extra revenue" facilities which are acceptable to the community, for example, Mr. Groner said.

Another source of revenue is the visitors' parking lot, he pointed out. Pay parking is a legitimate source of revenue for the hospital, he said; "free" parking must actually be paid for by patients and is thus an unfair burden on the sick, he added.

"It would appear that there are avenues open to hospitals which very definitely contribute to elevation of

the level of medical and hospital service rendered to patients, which is the primary consideration, and, in addition, afford hospitals another tool to keep the cost of hospitalization at the minimum," Mr. Groner concluded.

## Increase in Blue Cross Hospital Days Reported

MIAMI — Blue Cross members were hospitalized more than two million days more in 1958 than in the previous year, according to the annual report released April 12 by the Blue Cross Commission of the American Hospital Association during the annual conference of Blue Cross plans meeting here.

The commission presented its Justin Ford Kimball award to George A. Newbury, president and chairman of the board of Hospital Service Corporation of Western New York for the last 13 years. He was honored with the award commemorating the founder of Blue Cross because of "outstanding encouragement given to the concept of voluntary prepaid health care plans," the commission stated.

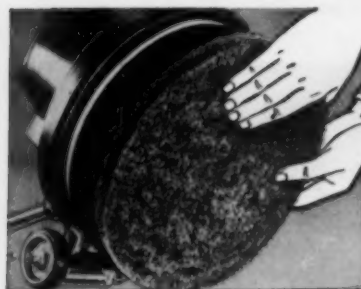
Nearly \$40 million had to be taken from reserves of individual Blue Cross plans to pay for the total of about 57½ million days of hospital care for members, the annual report noted.

As the trend has been during recent years, the commission said, more Blue Cross members were hospitalized for illness during 1958 than ever before; they used a larger number of the hospital services available, and Blue Cross paid more to hospitals for their care.

For the 55,880,414 persons enrolled in the Blue Cross program to prepay the cost of hospital illness, there were 10,088,504 hospital admissions. Patients were in the hospital a total of 57,530,459 days and the average length of stay was seven and one-half days. Blue Cross paid hospitals \$1,346,948,510—a record amount and nearly \$150 million more than was paid in 1957, the report stated.

## Wins Safety Award

CHICAGO — Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Va., has been announced grand award winner of the 1958 hospital safety contest cosponsored by the American Hospital Association and the National Safety Council. The hospital, with 530 employees, operated 1,168,346 man-hours last year without a reportable injury.



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## Better Use of Facilities Needed, Quebec Hospital Association Congress Told

MONTREAL, QUE. — Quebec hospitals should make better use of present facilities before undertaking to build new wings and further expansions, the nearly 2000 delegates at the first annual congress of the Quebec Hospital Association were told here at their March meeting.

Dr. Arthur Leclerc, Quebec minister of public health, also asserted that, "Many hospitals are overcrowded

with patients who could just as well be treated at home. They are in the hospital for the staff doctor's convenience or because they have private hospital insurance."

Referring to Quebec's hesitation to participate in the National Hospital Insurance Plan, Dr. Leclerc stated, "Quebec would enter the national plan only under conditions most suitable to its constitution."

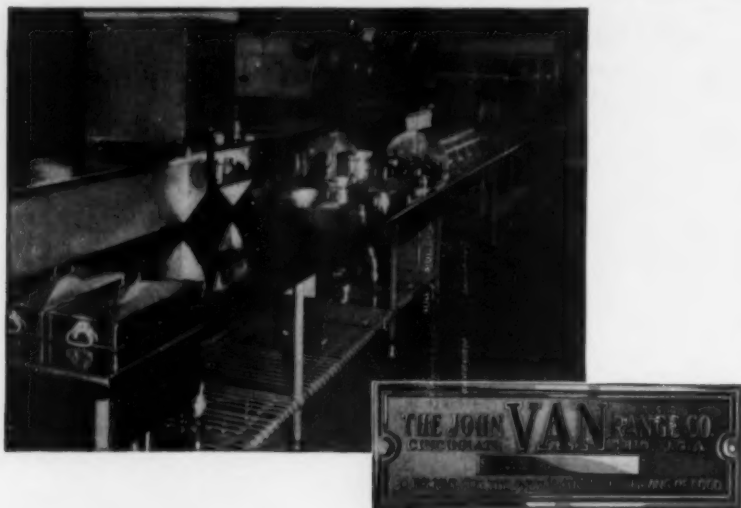
The hospital as a community health agency affiliated with other social and health agencies was stressed by Raymond P. Sloan, associate professor of

administrative medicine, Columbia University, and chairman of the editorial board of *The MODERN HOSPITAL*.

He urged closer cooperation among all community health agencies in future planning under the leadership of trustees, administrators, medical staff members, nursing heads, auxiliary members, and other key figures. "Such effort would be not only in the direction of future needs, but new approaches to meeting the emotional needs of the patient," he said.

"Having set the pattern of health care, we have need to interpret it and sell it as a complete package to the public," Mr. Sloan continued. "We have not yet been successful in selling the public on the services our hospitals are rendering. There still remains to be accomplished an educational campaign so compelling that people will cease to make comparisons between hotel and hospital charges."

Dr. Paul Bourgeois, executive director, Notre Dame Hospital, Montreal, was installed as president. Hon. Judge Thomas Tremblay, Quebec, was named vice president and A. H. Westbury, executive director, Montreal General Hospital, treasurer.



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COLUMBUS, OHIO. — Proposals for a state law that would specify professional and ethical standards for doctors practicing in hospitals were under consideration here last month.

The proposals represented a compromise between hospital and medical representatives and State Senator Frank W. King of Toledo, who had previously submitted a bill which would permit any physician licensed to practice in Ohio to care for patients in any hospital in his home county, provided the physician had served in the armed forces in World War II or the Korean War and had completed an internship in an Ohio hospital.

Senator King's bill, it was reported, had been submitted on behalf of Dr. Louis T. Odesky, Toledo physician who reportedly cannot practice in Toledo hospitals because he is not a member of the Academy of Medicine.

Hearings on Senator King's bill were scheduled to begin last March but were canceled following a conference between Senator King and representatives of the state hospital and medical associations, it was reported.

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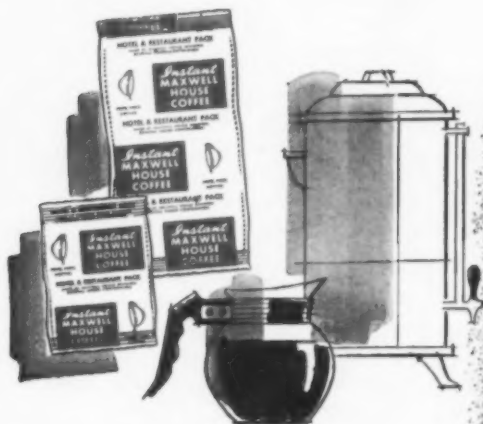
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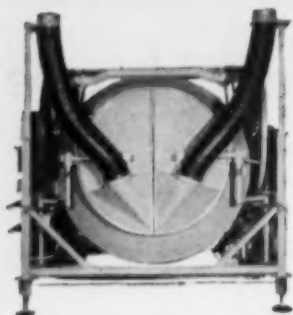
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### New England Assembly Elects Dr. Geetter

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and acute diseases less than 10 per cent. The chronic disease category has as the two major components cardiovascular renal diseases and cancer. These two groups of conditions already account for 70 per cent of all deaths. Deaths from chronic disease tend to concentrate in the older age group. It seems fair to predict, therefore, the quantitative aspect of medical service will continue to shift up the age spectrum and that an increasing quantity of our medical service output will be for chronic illness in the older persons."

Speaking at the same session, C. Rufus Rorem, executive director of the Hospital Council of Philadelphia, suggested that hospitals should charge more for room and board but less for medical services. He argued that higher room charges would encourage shorter stays, while lower cost of other services would encourage their greater use and improve the quality of care.

Mr. Rorem defended hospitals against charges of inefficiency in management. "Hospitals are as well managed as hotels, department stores, or other agencies dealing in commodities and services," he asserted. "No business institution would be expected to give away a substantial portion of its product, unless some group stood ready to reimburse the firm in some manner. It isn't what a hospital sells that causes financial worry, but what it gives away. The general public has not always been willing to assume full responsibility for payment for the 'free' services rendered by hospitals at public request or demand."

The afternoon trustee session was devoted to the problems of small community hospitals. In discussing "What Services Will Be Offered in Tomorrow's Hospital," Abbie E. Dunks, administrator of the Boston Dispensary, got off to a brisk start by reminding her audience that "The more we ask unwilling customers to pay more for services they don't want, the more our public relations deteriorate." She urged hospitals to "move out into the market place" and sell themselves to the public through an intensive program of education. The four major areas of hospital service, Miss Dunks said, are (1) promotion of positive health; (2) prevention of disease; (3) alleviation of disease, and (4) rehabilitation or "restoration."

Miss Dunks recommended regional affiliation for small hospitals to avoid overlapping of services and duplication of expensive equipment. Instead of building more beds where they aren't really needed, hospitals should make full use of existing facilities, she urged. For example, idle beds could be used for convalescent or diagnostic patients or by older people who need care during the day and can be sent home to their families at night. Community hospitals must take the responsibility for making needed changes now, Miss Dunks asserted, and not be appeasers "who feed the crocodile in the hope that it will eat them last." In conclusion, she warned that "if we don't climb out of our rut pretty soon, there won't be any community hospitals."

The hospital trustee is responsible for determining community needs and he cannot assign or delegate that responsibility, according to one of them — Walter Beinecke, trustee of Nantucket Cottage Hospital, Nantucket, Mass. Mr. Beinecke believes that the trustee's job is to keep the community educated in direct ratio to advances in professional care, and that this is a constant job — not something that can be done "just once in a while." In order to carry out his responsibility for interpreting the hospital to the community and the community's needs to the hospital, Mr. Beinecke said, the trustee "should have his nose in and his mind on everything that goes on in the hospital but not his hands. He should keep those off of the hospital operation," in Mr. Beinecke's view.

In addition to Dr. Geetter, the following officers and trustees were elected for the coming year: secretary, Wesley D. Sprague, New England Deaconess Hospital, Boston (re-elected), and treasurer, Pearl R. Fisher, R.N., Thayer Hospital, Waterville, Me. New trustees are: John L. Quigley, commandant, Soldiers' Home and Hospital, Chelsea, Mass., and Dana S. Thompson, Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston.

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## Nurses Warned Against Loss of "Human Approach" at Iowa N.L.N. Meeting

IOWA CITY, IOWA. — Nurses can quickly lose the human approach to caring for patients in a welter of details, pressure of problems, and conflicts of hospital policies, personnel and the patient's needs, Sister Mary Anthony, director of St. Margaret's Hospital School of Nursing, Kansas City, Kan., told members of the Iowa League for Nursing at their convention April 10.

The good nurse will not lose, in the maze of medical advances, "an eagerness to make certain that man is dealt with, sick or well . . . with dignity, with respect, and with love," Sister Mary Anthony said.

Both hospital nursing services and nursing schools must work together to instill in the young nurse this attitude toward her work and prepare her to adapt nursing service to the rapid changes the future will bring, she explained.

Many a student nurse loses her idealism as she works with nurses who

have lost it, Sister Mary Anthony said.

Both she and Margaret Giffin, director of the National League for Nursing department of hospital nursing, said they felt that hospitals can give better nursing care without additional personnel if they will work further on using their present staffs as efficiently as possible.

Herbert Thelen, professor at the University of Chicago, outlined some policies to get any group to work effectively: Assume that anyone giving an idea must be responded to in some way — don't ignore even poor ideas. After the idea has been presented, the individual should consider that it belongs to the group, not to him. Assume that there are no "problem" people in your group. Until people are willing to work to solve a problem, they haven't really recognized it exists. Don't try to reach a group decision by taking a vote until the group is in nearly complete agreement — postpone the vote until after further discussion, he said.

## Ohio Association Names Gettman President-Elect



A. S. Dickens

COLUMBUS, OHIO. — John C. Gettman, administrator of Memorial Hospital, Fremont, Ohio, was named president-elect of the Ohio Hospital Association

at its annual convention here April 6 through 9.

Anthony S. Dickens, executive director of City Hospital, Springfield, was installed as president. He succeeds Roger Sherman, administrator of Children's Hospital, Akron. Other officers elected were Harold A. Zeally, Memorial Hospital, Elyria, first vice president; Sister Mary Gabriel, Mercy Hospital, Tiffin, second vice president, and Lee S. Lanpher, Lutheran Hospital, Cleveland, treasurer.

Methods of getting the hospital story told to the general public and the role of the medical staff and employe in an interpretation of the hospital to the community were discussed. Among the speakers were George Bugbee, president of Health Information Foundation, and E. M. Friedlander, director of public relations, Pratt Diagnostic Clinic, New England Center Hospital, Boston.

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## Shift of Traditional Services Outside Hospital Framework Is Called Alarming

CHICAGO. — A leading spokesman for the Blue Cross movement recently assailed the tendency on the part of some hospitals to reduce the scope of services considered an integral part of the "package" of health care purchased by the patient.

"To an alarming extent, at least in some parts of the country, items that have been traditionally accepted as a hospital service have been shifted outside the framework of hospital prepayment—and sometimes outside hospital service," said Dr. Basil C. MacLean, president of the Blue Cross Association.

He declared, "Where the patient once received a single bill for a 'package' of hospital services, more often than not he may receive today a bewildering assortment of separate bills for each hospital admission."

Dr. MacLean spoke before a group discussion panel at the National Health Forum assembled by the National Health Council. The panel considered economic factors in providing health care to the nation's workers, within the framework of the over-all theme, "The Health of People Who Work."

A former commissioner of hospitals for New York City, Dr. MacLean said, "The idea has grown in the public mind that the hospital is more than an emergency stop for repairs, but rather a package of the varied skills and technics needed for full health services—periodic screening and early detection of disease, diagnosis and treatment." He sketched the future hospital as a "community health center" with extended outpatient services covered by prepayment and insurance.

The figures given on the number of Americans who buy health insurance are often misleading, the Blue Cross executive said. "A closer inspection of the benefits being bought by some of these 120 million Americans reveals small cause for complacency." He called upon prepayment plans and insurance to cover all necessary hospital admissions.

"Coverage" he said "is long overdue for admissions for short-term treatment of tuberculosis, acute mental illness—in short, all admissions that advancing medical progress deems appropriate to hospital care. Chronic care, rehabilitation and convalescence should

be covered as an extension of hospital service."

While citing the need for expanded hospital services under prepayment, Dr. MacLean also raised the challenge of extending health protection to population groups who are not as yet covered. Among these he included all dependents of the wage-earner, disabled and unemployed workers, casual worker, self-employed, and aged.

"It is significant," he said, "that the

unenrolled body of our people contains those who need hospital care the most and who can afford it least as an out-of-pocket expense. . . . It is because the unenrolled hard-risk elements of the population have been largely overlooked in the past that the whole voluntary prepayment movement is on the spot today."

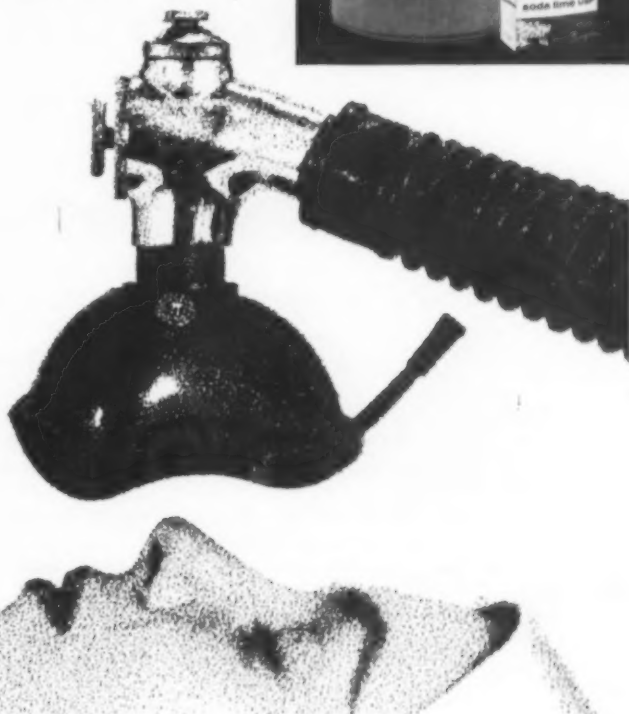
Dr. MacLean admitted the formidable cost problems raised by such extension of benefits and broader coverage of the population. However, he stated, no "new" costs were involved. Health services are being bought, re-

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regardless of the way in which they are organized or financed, "too often . . . under conditions of hardship and indignity for the individual, and economic disorder and waste for the community." The main question, he said, was how to organize and distribute the cost most efficiently and economically—"What form of social organization will make the most health services available to the people?"

Ultimately the public will decide, Dr. MacLean declared, on a prepayment mechanism that operates "under the general kind of public franchise now accorded to Blue Cross. The main mandates of this franchise are non-profit operation, public participation in policy making, service benefits, and rating practices that reflect community needs and goals."

### University Hospital Stops Care of Michigan Indigent

ANN ARBOR, MICH. — University Hospital, a self-supporting unit of the University of Michigan Medical Center, has refused to accept patients from state institutions except in emergencies, according to a decision announced last month by Dr. A. C. Kerlikowske, hospital director.

The hospital said that the state was more than \$500,000 behind in payments for the care of its medically indigent. Stating that hospital finances are "in as precarious a position as the state proper," Dr. Kerlikowske said only emergency cases will be handled until funds are again made available. Over the last 10 years, he reported, University Hospital has lost \$895,000 through actual services (excluding doctors' fees) rendered to the Michigan Crippled Children's Commission alone. If current charges to the Commission go unpaid, this figure will reach \$1,147,000, he said.

### Open Mental Health Drive

NEW YORK. — The annual campaign of the National Association of Mental Health to raise funds and focus attention on the problems of mental illness began April 26 and continues through the month of May. The campaign is stressing the fact that 70 per cent of those suffering from mental illness can recover with proper care and treatment.

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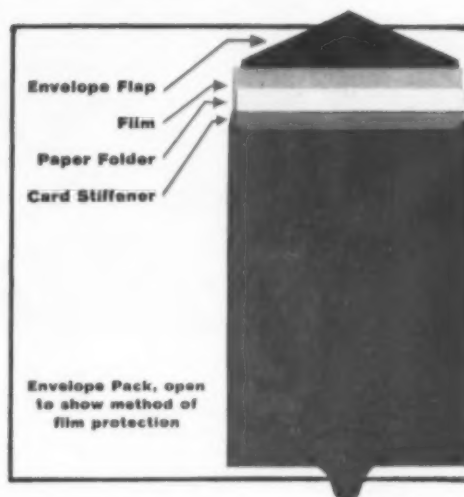
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## Hospital-Blue Cross Honeymoon Over, A. H. A. Officer Says

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out regard for the age, employment, finances or health status of the persons covered; the programs must be so devised as to permit hospitals, prepayment plans, and the public to work together in a three-way partnership.

6. Hospitals and Blue Cross plans face increasing legislative interest in their operations and must develop voluntary controls to limit excessive utilization and inefficiency.

Two speakers at the convention urged hospitals to seek accreditation. Dr. Denver Vickers, assistant director of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, Chicago, said the same accreditation standards applied for large and small hospitals and urged small hospitals, especially, to seek accredited status.

Everett W. Jones, hospital consultant of Fort Myers Beach, Fla. said: "You know, your doctors know, I know, and I wish all your hospital trustees and patients knew that an unaccredited hospital is an inferior hos-

pital and one which may be an unsafe place for patients."

Mr. Jones urged even stricter accreditation standards than those that prevail today, and more thorough inspections by accreditation surveyors. He also urged hospitals to conduct medical audits as a means of improving professional performance.

In addition to Mr. Kidd, other officers elected by the association were: vice president, Robert Eleazer, assistant administrator, St. Luke's Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.; trustee at large, D. O. McClusky Jr., administrator, Druid City Hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

## 85 per Cent of Aged Report Health Complaints

NEW YORK. — About 85 per cent of the persons over age 65 interviewed recently for the Health Information Foundation said they had some health complaint or other illness that bothered them within the previous four weeks, the foundation reported last month. Only one-third of the persons interviewed who had a health complaint had told a physician about it.

Persons 65 and over were found to average 7.6 visits to doctors a year per capita, or about two visits a year more than the average for all age groups in the country. The survey also showed that almost two out of every five older persons had not seen a doctor during the previous 12 months and 10 per cent of the survey group had not been to a physician in five years or more.

"Economic factors seem to be a relatively minor element in this reluctance to see a physician," said George Bugbee, foundation president. Even though incomes are generally lower among the older age groups, only 3 per cent of all persons 65 and older said they had delayed consulting a physician because of the cost, he said.

Early results of the survey were published in the foundation's monthly bulletin, *Progress in Health Services*.

## Hospital Plans Apartments

NEW YORK. — Plans for a 19 story apartment house of 141 units, to be sponsored by Beth Israel Hospital and built adjoining it, were announced recently by controller Lawrence E. Gerosa. A mortgage application for \$1,950,000 or 98.5 per cent of the total construction cost has been approved, Mr. Gerosa said.



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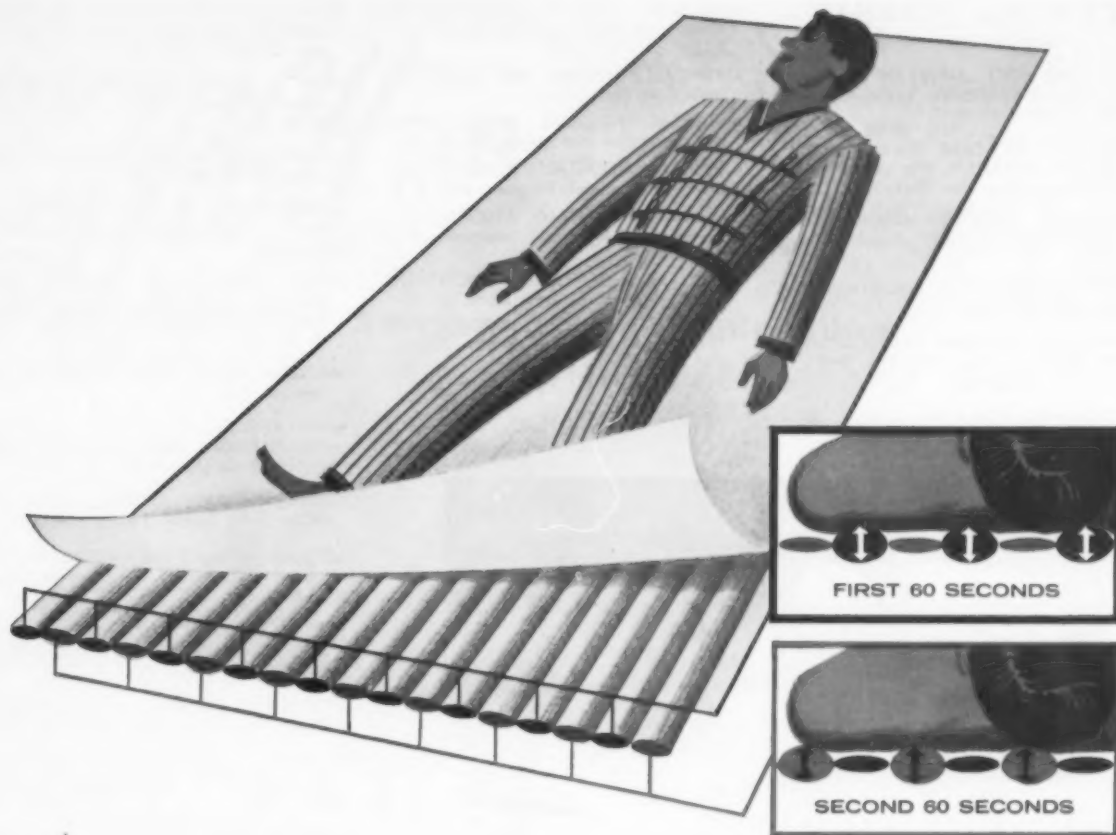
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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL RECORD LIBRARIANS, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Oct. 12-15.

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS, Convention and Annual Meeting, New York, Aug. 23-26.

AMERICAN DIETETIC ASSOCIATION, Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles, Aug. 25-28.

AMERICAN GERIATRIC SOCIETY, Atlantic City, June 4, 5.

AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, The Coliseum, New York, Aug. 24-27.

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Convention Hall, Atlantic City, June 8-12.

AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS, Atlantic City, June 1-3.

ARKANSAS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, May 18, 19.

ARIZONA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Monte Vista Hotel, Flagstaff, Oct. 8, 9.

CANADIAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, May 11-13.

CATHOLIC HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, June 1-4.

COLORADO HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, The Antler's Hotel, Colorado Springs, Oct. 8, 9.

COMITE DES HOPITAUX DU QUEBEC, Montreal Show Mart, Montreal, Quebec, June 24-26.

HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF RHODE ISLAND, Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, Providence, Oct. 1.

IDAHO HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Elks Lodge, Boise, Oct. 19, 20.

INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL CONGRESS, Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 1-6.

JOINT COUNCIL TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH CARE OF AGED, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., June 12-14.

MAINE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Hotel Samoset, Rockland, June 2, 3.

MARYLAND-D.C.-DELAWARE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Hotel Shoreham, Washington, D. C., Oct. 26-28.

MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Hotel Statler, Boston, May 14.

MICHIGAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Sheraton Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, June 21-23.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC HOSPITAL ASSEMBLY, Convention Hall, Atlantic City, N. J., May 20-22.

MISSISSIPPI HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Hotel Buena Vista, Biloxi, Oct. 7-9.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR NURSING, Convention Hall, Philadelphia, May 11-15.

NATIONAL REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION, Boston, Oct. 26-28.

NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION, Palmer House, Chicago, May 24-29.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Mountain View House, Whitefield, June 18, 19.

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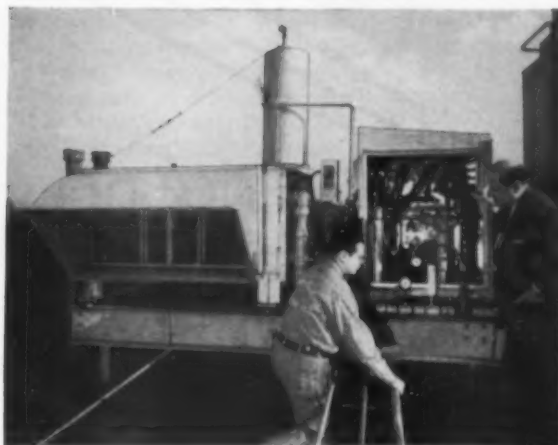
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## ABOUT PEOPLE

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A. B. Anderson

**A. Boyd Anderson** has been appointed assistant administrator at West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh. He was previously an administrative resident at the hospital and will be a candidate for a master's degree in hospital administration from the University of Pittsburgh in June. Previously Mr. Anderson was assistant superintendent of Washington Hospital, Washington, Pa., for nearly five years.

**James Champer** has been appointed assistant director of Weiss Memorial Hospital, Chicago. He is a graduate of Northwestern University school of hospital administration and had served as an administrative assistant at the hospital.

**Leonard R. Piccoli** has been appointed assistant administrator of Misericordia Hospital, Bronx, New York. He is a graduate of the school of public health and administrative medicine at Columbia University. He was previously administrative assistant at Montefiore Hospital, New York.

**Clarence Murphy**, administrator of Hubbard Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, Mich., has resigned.

**Sister Frances Michael** has relieved **Sister Angela** as administrator of Sacred Heart Hospital, Pensacola, Fla.

**Gladys Thomas, R.N.**, has been named superintendent of New London Hospital, New London, Ohio, succeeding **Helen Hansen**, who had served the hospital for the last four years. Mrs. Thomas holds the rank of colonel as an army nurse.

**Bernard A. Mitchell**, a former army medical corps officer who retired in 1953 after 25 years' service, has been appointed administrator of Normandy Osteopathic Hospital, St. Louis. He succeeds **Emil L. Herbert**, who has been named executive secretary of the American Osteopathic Hospital Association.

**James K. Fisler** has been appointed administrator of Scott County Memorial Hospital, now under construction at Scottsburg, Ind. He completed the course in hospital administration at Georgia State College.

**Dr. William E. Murray**, assistant superintendent of Madison State Hos-

pital, Madison, Ind., has been named superintendent of the state hospital at New Castle, Ind. He succeeds **Dr. J. M. Mosier**, who resigned to enter private practice.

**E.R. Andres** has been appointed administrator of Grandview Hospital, Edinburg, Tex.

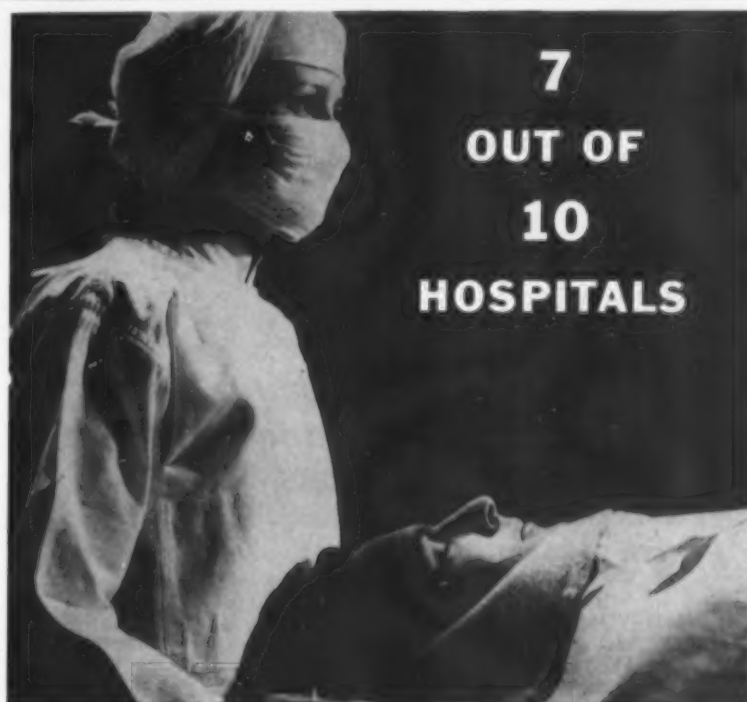
**Glenn Bailey**, assistant director of Niagara Falls Memorial Hospital, Niagara Falls, N.Y., has been named superintendent of Grand View Hospital, Sellersville, Pa. He will succeed **Nellie Hoffecker**, who resigned recently after more than 20 years as administrator.

**John L. Haglund**, business manager of Gregg Memorial Hospital, Longview, Tex., has been appointed to the newly created position of assistant administrator.

**Dr. George W. Hobson**, former manager of Veterans Administration Hospital, Excelsior Springs, Mo., has been appointed manager of Veterans Administration Hospital, McKinney, Tex.

**Louis Felger** has been appointed administrator of Goliad County Hospital, Goliad, Tex.

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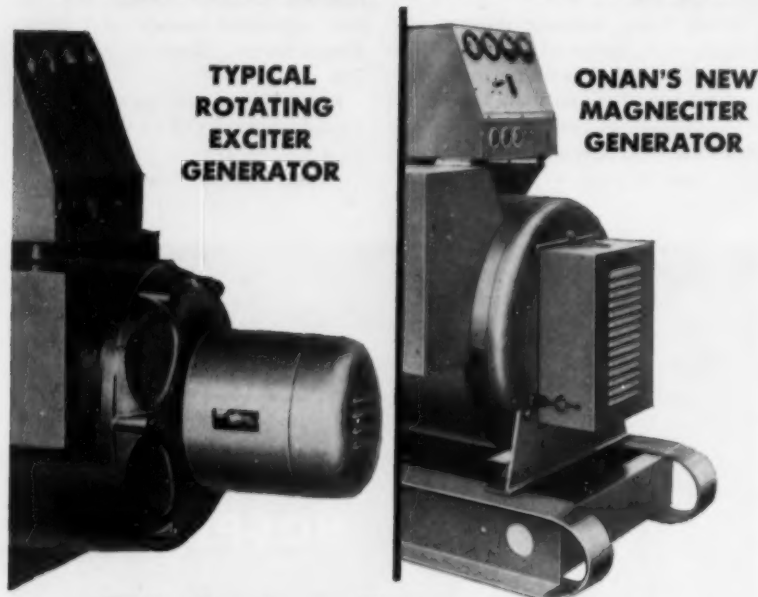
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H. G. Mann has been appointed administrator of Titus County Memorial Hospital, Mount Pleasant, Tex. He served previously as administrator of Rogers Memorial Hospital, Decatur, Tex.

Virgil W. Jackson, administrator of Samaritan Hospital, Moses Lake, Wash., has resigned to become minister of a church in Wenatchee, Wash. He will be succeeded as administrator by Rodney E. Cannon. Mr. Cannon was business manager of the hospital for four years before leaving a year ago to become business manager of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Yakima, Wash.

James W. Cooke has been appointed administrator of Lynn Hospital, Lincoln Park, Mich. He was formerly assistant director of Akron City Hospital, Akron, Ohio. Mr. Cooke is a graduate of the program in hospital administration at Northwestern University and is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Kenneth E. Meredith, formerly administrator of Nashua Memorial Hospital, Nashua, N.H., has been appointed administrator of Alexander Linn Hospital, Sussex, N.J. Mr. Meredith is a graduate of the course in hospital administration at Columbia University.

Robert L. Finlayson has been appointed administrative assistant at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston. He is a graduate of the school of hotel administration at Cornell University.

Robert M. Gantt Jr. has been appointed director of hospitals, North Broward Hospital District, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was formerly administrator of Broward General Hospital there, where he has been succeeded by Ernest C. Nott Jr., formerly administrative assistant at Broward General Hospital. Robert E. Lee, formerly assistant administrator at Broward General Hospital, has been appointed administrator of North District Hospital, Pompano Beach, Fla. R. L. Nimmo was recently appointed business manager of Broward General. He was formerly business manager of Riverside Hospital, Paducah, Ky.

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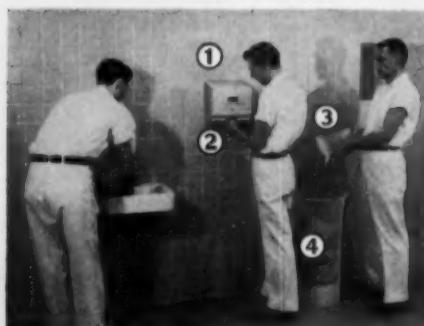
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munities Hospital, Newport, Ore., succeeding Eugene Lasater. Rebecca Hammond has been appointed director of nurses at the hospital.

W. Gordon Poole has resigned as administrator of St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh, N.C., to join the state medical care commission as hospital analyst. Ralph C. Bartlett, who has served as assistant administrator, will succeed him as administrator.

J. R. Hill has been appointed administrator of DeLeon Memorial Hospital, DeLeon, Tex.

C. D. Cunningham, administrator of Cape Fear Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, N.C., since its opening, has resigned. Herbert M. Kyle is the new administrator.

### Department Heads

Jennie Baker has been named associate director of nursing service and Albert Reagan, purchasing director, at St. Alexis Hospital, Cleveland. For three years Miss Baker was director of nursing at Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing, Cleveland. She has also served as director of nursing at East Orange General Hospital, East Orange, N.J., and Mansfield Hospital, Mansfield, Ohio. Mr. Reagan was formerly assistant procurement officer for City Hospital, Cleveland.

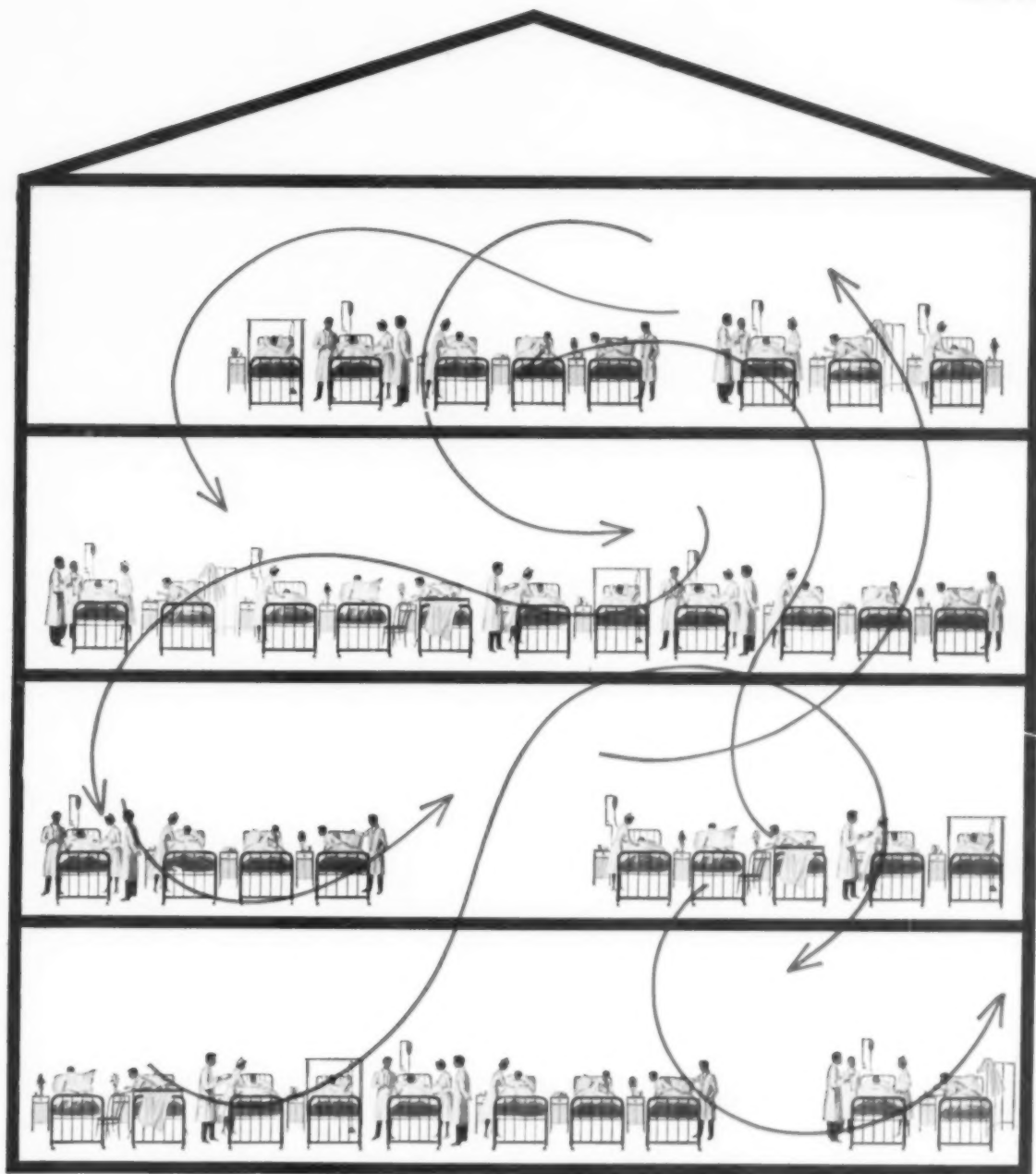
Phyllis M. Loucks has been appointed director of nursing at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich. She has served as associate director of nursing since March 1958.

Arlene Robbins has joined the staff of Belle Glade Memorial Hospital, Belle Glade, Fla., as medical records librarian.

Charles E. Neal has been appointed director of personnel at St. Mary's Hospital, Cincinnati, replacing Helene F. Henke, who resigned. Mr. Neal, who had been with the personnel divisions of several companies, expects to graduate in June from the Salmon P. Chase College of Law and Commerce.

Owen K. Stephens has been appointed business administrator of Illinois State Hospital, Chicago. He was business manager of the state hospital, Elgin, Ill. At the same time, Alfred E. Riley was appointed business administrator of the state hospital, Jacksonville, Ill. He was formerly director of a Chicago medical employment service.

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tor of the school of nursing and nursing services at Sinai Hospital, Baltimore. She succeeds **Winnie A. Coxe**, who is retiring after 16 years of service.

**Audrey Rolfe** has been named director of nursing at Municipal Hospital, Port St. Joe, Fla. She was recently employed as head nurse at Bay Memorial Hospital, Panama City, Fla.

**Mary Louise Evans** has been appointed director of nursing at MacNeal Memorial Hospital, Berwyn, Ill. She formerly held a similar post at Community Hospital near Cleveland. She succeeds **Hettie Bell Travis**, who is retiring.

### Miscellaneous

**Ivan O. Harrah** has been appointed personnel associate on the staff of the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of Marietta College and completed graduate courses in industrial engineering and psychology at North Carolina State College. Mr. Harrah was formerly associated with the Miners Memorial Hospital Association, Williamson, W. Va.

**Dr. Irvin J. Cohen** has been appointed assistant chief medical direc-

tor for planning of the Veterans Administration. He succeeds **Dr. William W. Fellows**, who retired. Dr. Cohen has been deputy director for planning since August 1958 and previously was director of hospitals and clinics for the V.A. in Washington, D.C., for three years.

**John H. Moye** has been appointed executive director of Georgia Hospital Service Association, Inc., the state's Blue Cross plan. He succeeds **Sam M. Butler**, who resigned to become executive director of the Arkansas Medical and Hospital Service, Inc., Little Rock. **John M. Galloway** has been named assistant executive director of the Georgia association.

### Deaths

**Howard B. Hatfield**, administrator of Long Beach Community Hospital, Long Beach, Calif., and president of the California Hospital Association, died March 11 at the age of 53. Mr. Hatfield, who had recently been named consultant to the California state department of public health, had been administrator of the Long Beach hospital since 1950. He held the same position at Scripps Memorial Hospital,

La Jolla, Calif., from 1944 to 1947, and at San Pedro Community Hospital from 1947 to 1950. He was a member of the board of directors of the Blue Cross of Southern California, past president of the Hospital Council of Southern California, and past treasurer of the Association of Western Hospitals.

**Dr. John Pleasant Fatherree**, 51, for the last 12 years superintendent of South Mississippi Charity Hospital, Laurel, Miss., died February 22. He received his medical degree from Tulane University and in 1947 opened the Woman's Clinic in Laurel.

**Herbert N. Morford**, administrator of Riverside Hospital, Boston, since the spring of 1956, died March 7 at the age of 61. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Crozer Theological Seminary, Mr. Morford spent several years in religious education and Y.M.C.A. work, entering the hospital field in 1931 as superintendent of Seaside Home and Hospital, Far Rockaway, N.Y. He also served as administrator of hospitals in Brooklyn, N.Y.; Winsted, Conn.; Baltimore; Summit, N.J., and Syracuse, N.Y. He was a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators.



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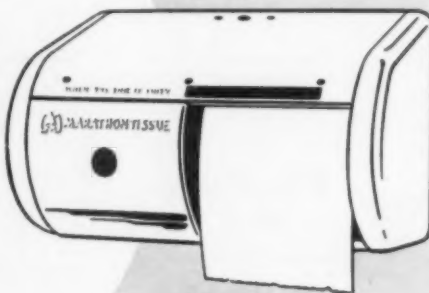
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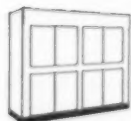


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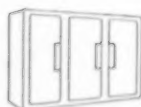
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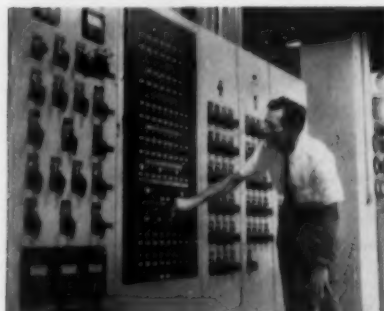


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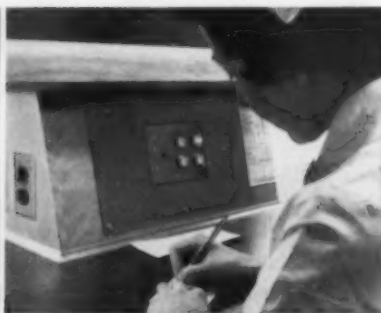
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**ANESTHETISTS**—(a) Join staff of 3, 100-bed hospital near San Francisco; to \$7,200. (b) Alaska; small hospital, ocean city near mountains; \$7,000. (c) OB, 250-bed hospital; near winter-summer resorts, Florida; \$5,000-\$6,000. (d) Share service 200-bed hospital with male anesthetist; excellent financial opportunity; Upper Michigan resort. MH5-3

**DIETITIANS**—(a) Develop, test recipes for national food concern promotional material;

### MEDICAL BUREAU—Continued

east. (b) Chief, small general hospital near Florida resorts; good salary. (c) Chief, 200-bed hospital; Philadelphia vicinity; \$6,500. MH5-4

**DIRECTORS OF NURSING**—(a) Director, service school, 350-bed hospital, Michigan; good opportunity reorganize; building program; \$8,000. (b) Dean, Collegiate School of Nursing; prefer Ph.D.; well coordinated program excellent clinical facilities; top salary. (c) Director of Nursing, 400-bed hospital; leading east coast city, \$7,000-\$10,000. MH5-5

**EXECUTIVE HOUSEKEEPER**—(a) 300-bed modern hospital; beautiful Pennsylvania hill country; top salary. MH5-6

**EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL**—(a) Engineer, charge plant management, maintenance, construction; building program; \$10,000-\$12,000. (b) Food Service Director, large eastern hospital; must have restaurant experience; \$8,000. MH5-7

**FACULTY POSTS**—(a) Fundamentals of nursing; collegiate nursing program; educational school, California; \$6,300. (b) Head diploma school, 100 students from 3 local hospitals; southwestern medical center; \$6,000-\$8,000. MH5-8

**RECORD LIBRARIANS**—(a) Reorganize and direct department, 150-bed modern hospital, California; salary commensurate ability. (b) Chief, renowned medical research clinic; Great Lakes; \$6,000 up. MH5-9

**SUPERVISORS**—(a) O.R. supervisor; outstanding opportunity, administrative person with experience; 13-room suite; \$6,000 up; near New York City. (b) OB, busy maternity department; renowned Chicago hospital; \$5,000-\$6,000 up. (c) Foreign assignment; supervise nursing activities 200-bed hospital for U. S. oil company employees; \$8,000-\$10,000; must have B.S. experience. MH5-10

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**NURSES**—Supervisors; (a) OB; 115-beds, salary open, midwest. (b) Operating room; 140-beds, salary open; west. (c) OB; 250-beds, salary open; Ohio. (d) Operating room; 57-beds, salary open; midwest. (e) Operating room; new medical center, salary open; east. (f) Operating room; 140-beds, salary open; midwest; male or female.

**NURSES**—Anesthetists; (a) 2 openings, 600-beds and expanding, salary to \$648; midwest. (b) 50-beds, salary open; Arizona.

**NURSES**—Staff and OR nurses; hospital in West Virginia to affiliate with School of Medicine. (b) School nurse; \$425 month, plus car allowance; west. (c) Other staff positions available.

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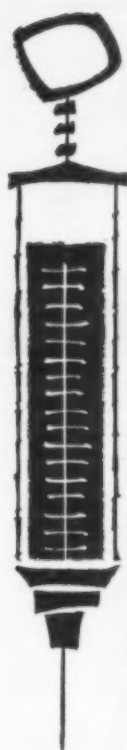
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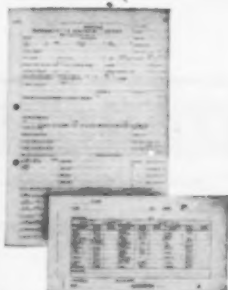


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**DIETITIANS**—(a) ADA registered; 115-beds, salary open; plan for department; mid-west. (b) 72-beds, \$4,000; New York. (c) Administrative and therapeutic; 400-beds, teaching institution, salary range \$450; west.

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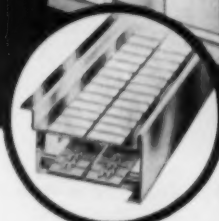
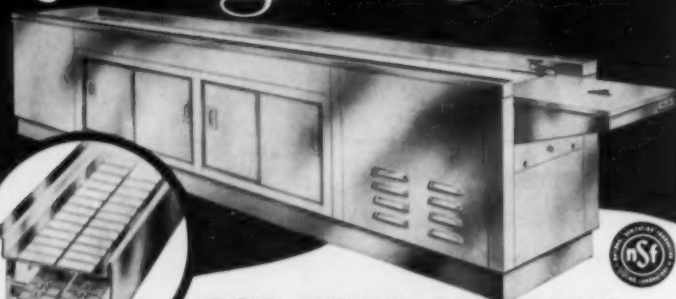
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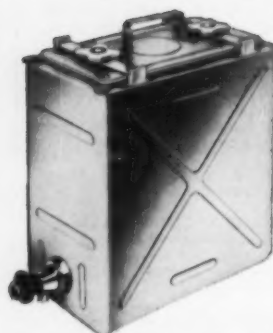
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**ANESTHETISTS**—(a) Middle west; new 50-bed completely modern hospital; about 50 surgical procedures a month; \$700. (MH-2869). (b) California; man only; 6 man

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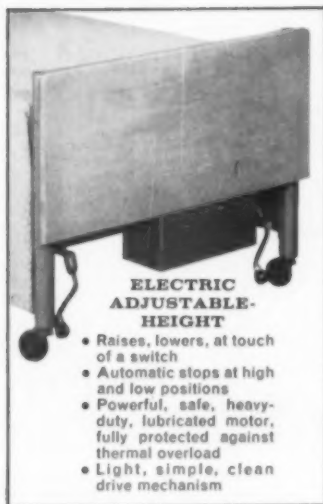
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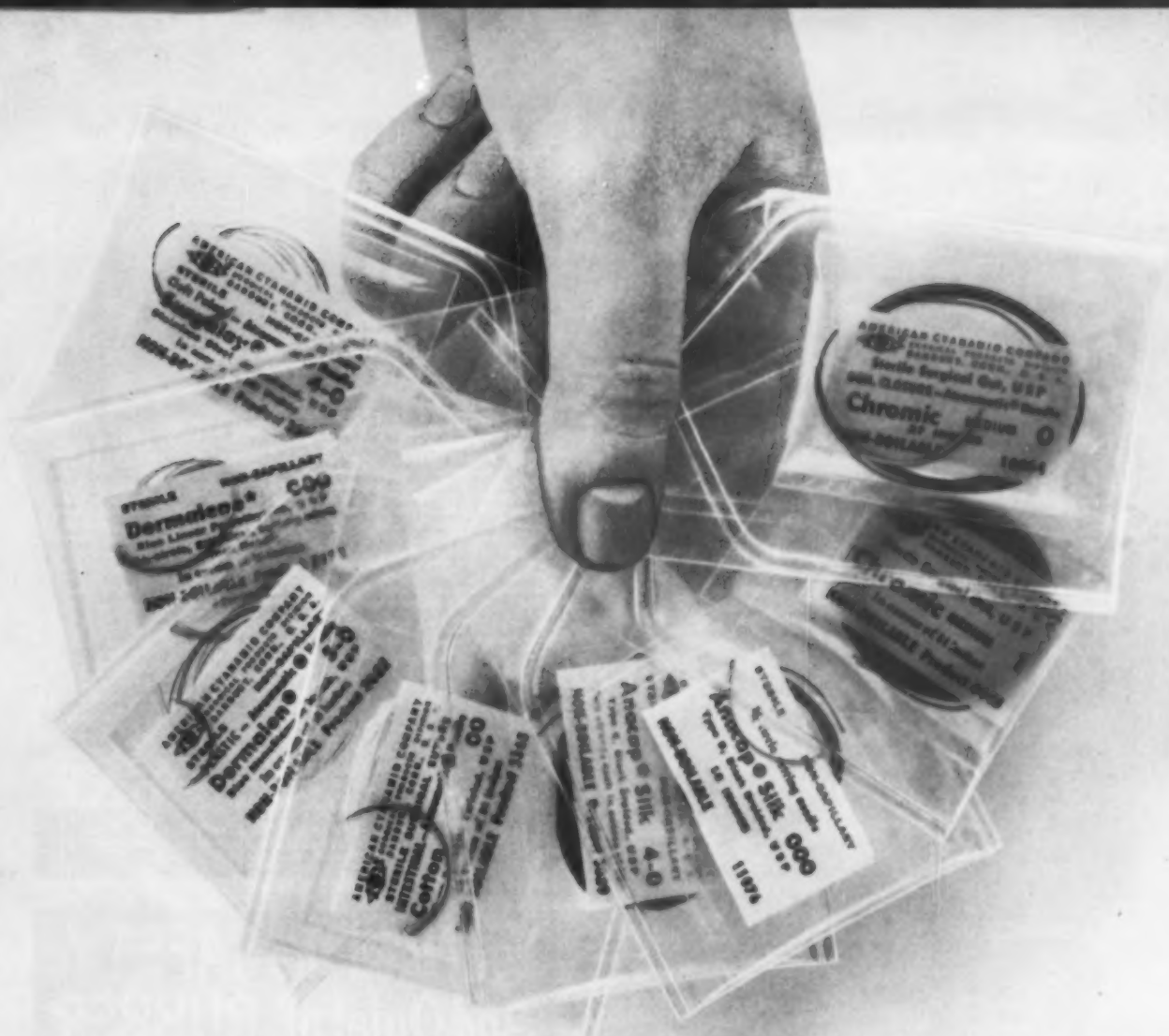
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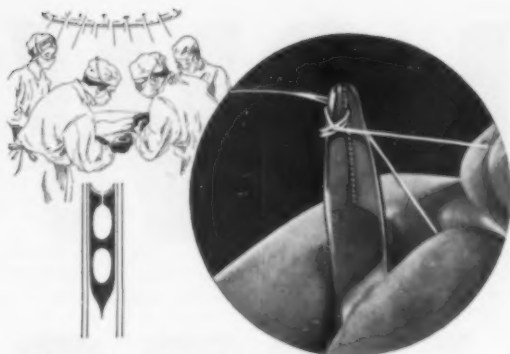
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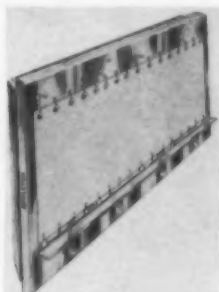
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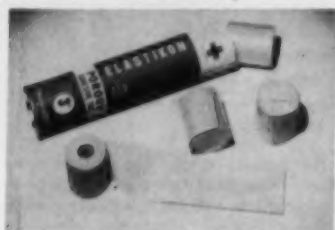
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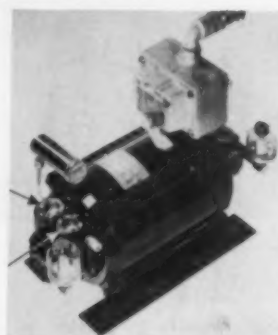
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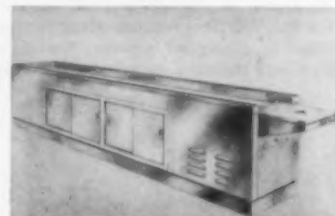


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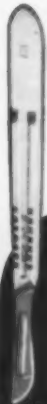
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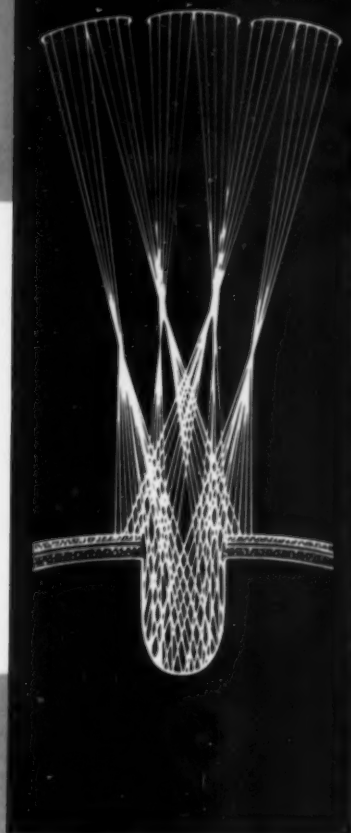


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A germicidal-bactericidal compound known as Puratize Protective Rinse is a new sterilant said to render laundry lastingly bacteriostatic. It is a water-white, odorless liquid designed to be added to the final laundry rinse, either by hand or metered in. It is inexpensive and does not affect the hand, color or absorptive qualities of any fabric. Laboratory tests indicate that the new formulation kills a broad range of bacilli, including staphylococcus aureus, and renders the fabrics in effect self-sterilizing. **Puratize, Inc., Gallowhur Chemical Corp., Ossining, N.Y.**

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### Linen Handling Cart of Lightweight Aluminum



Strong, light tubular aluminum forms the new Ferno Linen Cart. Quiet ball bearing wheels make it easy to handle and mesh aluminum sides keep linen from pushing off while providing ample ventilation. The five spacious shelves are braced on edges and center for maximum load carrying and the cart can be used for storage or distribution. It moves with minimum effort, easily maneuvered through narrow corridors and around turns. The tubular

frame provides handles at each end to facilitate handling. The cart is available in two sizes. **Ferno Mfg. Co., Greenfield, Ohio.**

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### Filter Grid Basket Supports Coffee Bag

Designed to assure freshness in coffee, a new filter grid basket introduced by Continental supports any standard coffee bag to prevent coffee grounds from soaking in the brew and thus distorting flavor. The filter grid basket fits any two, three, six or ten-gallon Continental urn and conforms to the specifications of the Coffee Brewing Institute. The grid bottom creates small pockets of filtration for better flavor ex-

traction within the four to six-minute brewing period specified by the Institute.



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### Kilit Ampule for Autoclave Control

A sealed unit carrying spore suspension in a green culture medium makes up the Kilit Ampule for autoclave control. It provides a positive check on steam sterilization technic by means of color and turbidity

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### Folding Utility Truck Has Washable Cargo Bag



A washable canvas bag which hangs inside the frame by six brass grommets, fits into the new folding utility truck introduced by White. The lightweight unit is easily rolled in use, and the white 10-ounce duck bag can be closed by a drawstring for removal from the frame if desired. It has a capacity of five-bushels of waste. The truck folds to a compact four inches for storage and metallic parts are available in

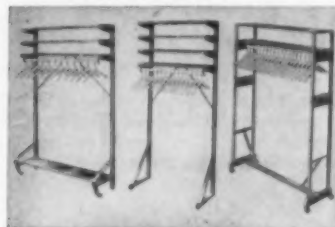
electro-galvanized or baked blue enamel finish. White Mop Wringer Co., Fultonville, N.Y.

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### Borroughs Garment Racks Feature Three-Way Hanger Bar

A plated, mar-resistant, three-way hanging hanger bar which holds a basic number of hangers on the front side, or can be reversed from back to front to increase capacities, is a feature of the new line of Borroughs garment racks. The line includes wrap racks and wrap check racks in both floor and wall models. Hat shelves have three raised apex-ridges which are designed so that they do not collect dust.

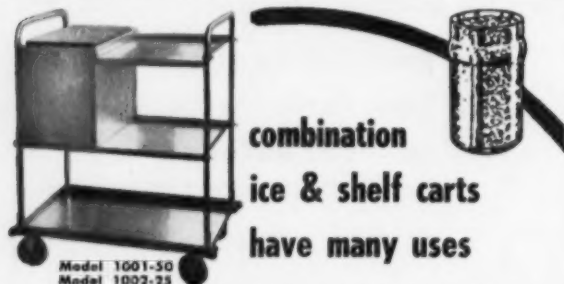
The "Handee" rack is a compact, double-purpose rack which can be assembled in minutes without bolts or nuts, or quickly



disassembled for storage. All racks have variable capacities and are finished in a choice of five baked-on enamel colors. The Borroughs Mfg. Co., 3002 N. Burdick, Kalamazoo, Mich.

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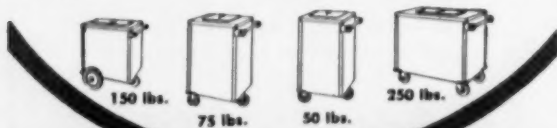
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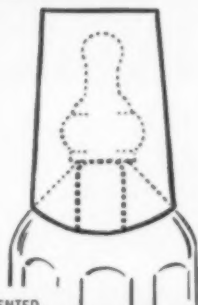
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### Plastic Serving Tray Has Wood Design

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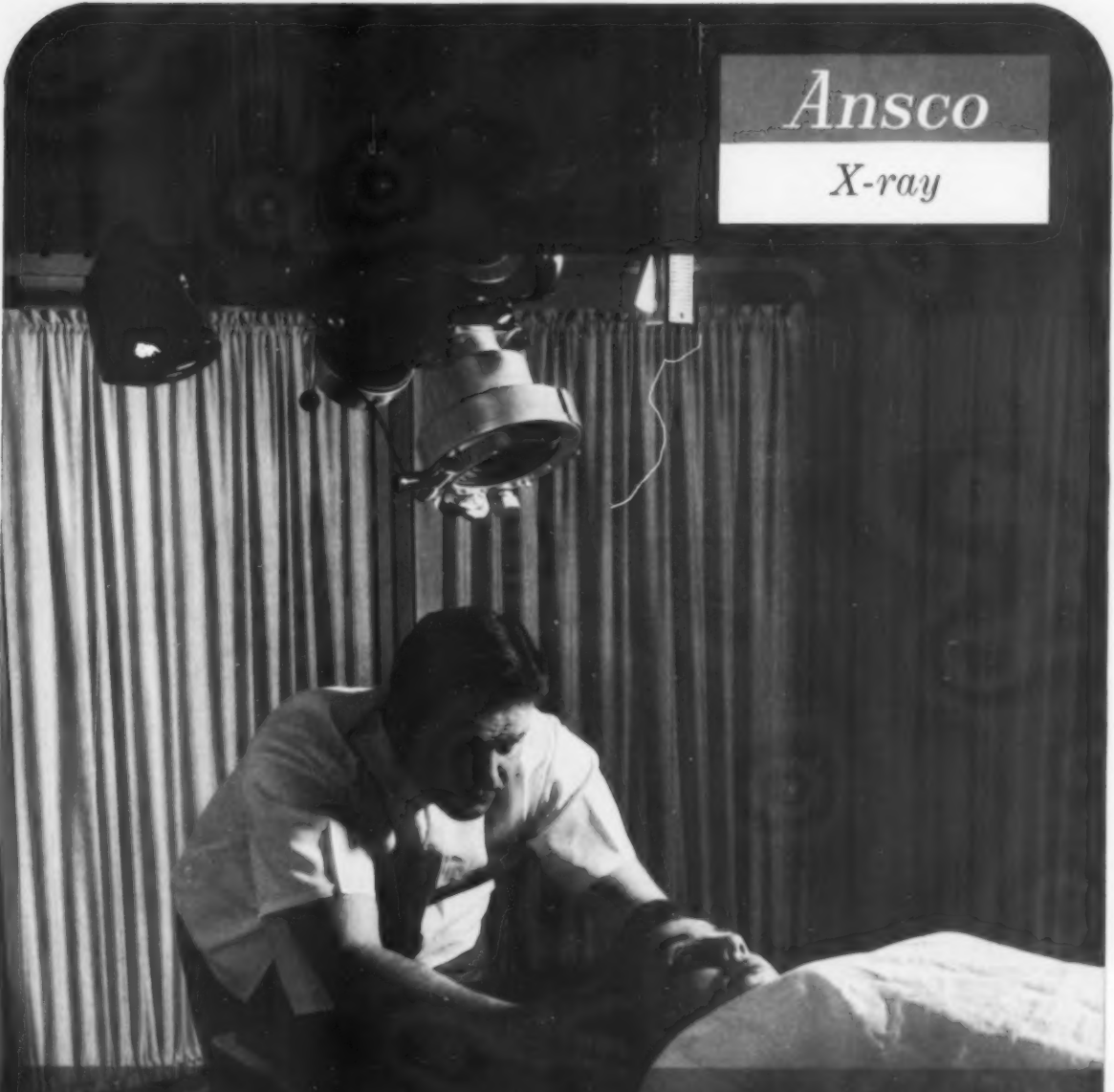
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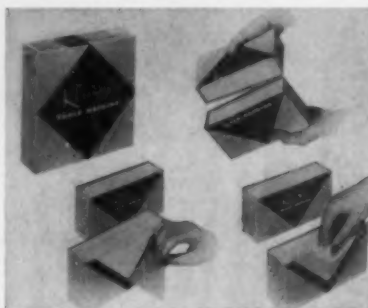
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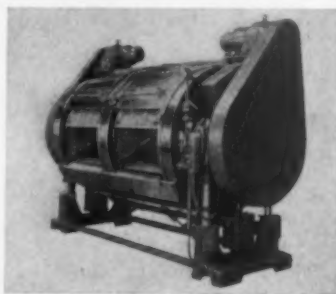
rapid sterilization of walls and floors in rooms or suites, the sterilant is a vaporous form of the chemical beta-propiolactone. When used on all exposed surfaces, the BPL sterilant permits re-entry for use of the room or suite within a few hours, shortening the usual time and the number of workers required for sterilizing such areas. **Wilmot Castle Co., 1931 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester, N.Y.**  
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#### **Kleenex Table Napkins in Dispenser Package**



A distinctive box which converts into a handy dispenser now forms the package for Kleenex soft yet tough table napkins. It can be used as a dispenser on cafeteria counters or lunchroom tables, the design permitting the use of a half box at a time, or several opened dispenser halves can be arranged beside tray service areas or on bulk food conveyors. The new package is the same in appearance as the former box but the all-around center perforations permit quick opening to give access to 25 napkins in each half, folded ready for immediate service. **Kimberly-Clark Corp., Neenah, Wis.**  
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#### **Super Tilt-Out Washer Provides Maximum Efficiency**



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flame spread, fuel contributed and smoke developed classifications. E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del.

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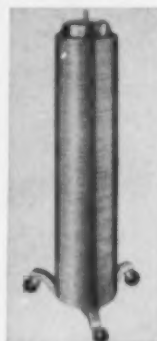
### Bactericidal Detergent for Cold Glass Washing

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Other features of the new bulk conveyor include a meat tray cover which functions as a serving shelf when open; safety recessed electrical control panel with automatic temperature selector; stainless steel utility drawer; double storage compart-

ments in the lower section with disappearing overhead doors, each with shelves, and two rigid and two swivel eight-inch casters for easy maneuverability. The Colson Corp., 7 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 3.

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### Heavy Duty Floor Machines Have Two-Speed Motors

Two-speed ½ and ¾ h.p. motors are built into the General KC Heavy Duty Floor Maintenance Machines. These include the KC-214 with 15-inch brush



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Chemical & Surgical Equipment Co., 1400  
E. Washington Ave., Madison 10, Wis.  
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### Heinz Ketchup in Portion Pack

Sanitation, cleanliness and convenience are combined with savings in costs in the new single-service containers of Heinz Ketchup. One-half ounce of Heinz Ketchup is sealed inside an aluminum-foil envelope one and three-quarters by four inches in size. It provides clean, convenient service on patient trays and in cafeterias and lunch-rooms, without waste. Ketchup quality is maintained for months inside the package. H. J. Heinz Co., Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

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### Hot and Cold Food Cart Has "Cold-Conditioned" Area

An optional dry or moist heat top section, lower heated compartment and a "cold-conditioned" food compartment are features of the new Atlas Model 572 Portable Electric Hot and Cold Food Cart. The mobile, self-contained unit, with the top covers opening out to function as full serving shelves, may be plugged into any standard electric outlet. Each compartment is controlled by a separate electric thermostat, with individual pilot lights, mounted on a



recessed-type control panel. The top compartment is convertible to either dry heat or moist heat and is provided with a drain for quick, easy clean-out.

The new cart serves complete meals for 220 children or 150 adults. The interchangeable topdeck equipment will handle varying requirements of diversified menus and special diets. The Model 572 functions as a food transportation unit and as a food serving facility in the serving area. Atlas Div., National Cornice Works, 1323 Channing St., Los Angeles 21, Calif.

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### Wash Room Cart #1115 Carries Equipment and Supplies

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Room Cart #1115 combines all equipment in one unit. Everything required for sanitary wash room maintenance is carried within easy reach on the cart. Clips hold broom, mop and plunger while areas are provided for all supplies, standard mop pails and mop press and a large draw string waste bag. The practical cart moves easily on four-inch rubber self-lubricating casters, two stationary and two swivel. The sturdily constructed body of tubular and light body steel has aluminized finish. Forbes Brothers Co., 810 Santa Fe Ave., Los Angeles 21, Calif.

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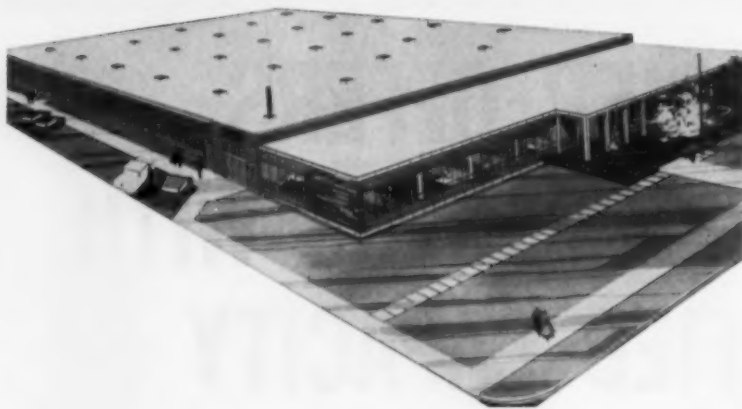
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For more details circle #495 on mailing card.

### 21 Models Added to Emergency Power Plant Line

Both gasoline and Diesel driven models are among the 21 added to the Onan line of emergency electric power plants. The new models will produce from one to 200 kilowatts of power each, depending upon the model, providing a wide choice of standby power for every need. The largest new gasoline units in the line now provide 150 kilowatts while the largest Diesel unit will produce 200 kilowatts, making greatly increased power available.

Eight new high capacity plants are available in the line of Onan Diesel electric plants. They are designed to meet the needs for auxiliary Diesel emergency electric power in hospitals and other institu-

tions where dependable standby power is vital to continuous operation. The new Diesel driven plants have the necessary power to operate essential electrical loads such as automatic heating systems, air conditioners, elevators, communications systems, motors and lights for as long as services are required. D. W. Onan & Sons Inc., 2515 University S.E., Minneapolis 14, Minn.

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### Mobile Dish Dollies in Four Sizes



The Bucksco Poker Chip Dish Dollies are mobile dish handling units fabricated entirely from aircraft aluminum. They are lightweight, sanitary and easily maneuverable and designed in the proper height to fit under work tables and counters. Dishes can be placed directly in the dollies from dishwashing machines, saving time and reducing breakage. The units are now available in four sizes to accommodate dishes from four to ten inches in diameter. All models are available with heating units for warming dishes, and with plastic dust covers, as shown in the illustration. Bucks County Enterprises Inc., Quakertown, Pa.

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### Electronic Pocket Page Signals When Dialed

When the switchboard operator dials the number of a doctor or other individual on



the Personal Page dial, a signal tone alerts him to the call and he picks up the nearest telephone for the message. The miniature transistorized receiver is completely self-contained, is small enough to wear in a pocket or attached to a belt, and gives private, selective paging. The signal tone continues until the user depresses the silencer button, making the unit ready for the next call. The receiver is unaffected by shock or vibration. Hanak Engineering Co., 7 Heather Rd., Bala-Cynwyd, Pa.

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new model include single pushbutton control, continuous automatic feed operation and functional styling which facilitates maintenance. American Photocopy Equipment Co., 2100 Dempster, Evanston, Ill. For more details circle #499 on mailing card.

### Floors and Carpets Cleaned With Gyro-Magic Machine

The Gyro-Magic floor machine is designed for heavy duty use, yet it is light enough to be handled by maids. It is a triple-use machine since it will shampoo carpets, scrub floors or wax and polish a floor. Carpet cleaning and floor scrubbing can be done with the same "even-flo" brush and a softer brush or steel wool or lambs-wool pad is used for polishing. A three-way

handle adjusts for self-propelling action and the 12-inch brush is fed from a gallon-and-a-half solution tank. Advance Floor Machine Co., 4100 Washington Ave. N., Minneapolis 12, Minn.

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### "Space-Maker" Bedside Cabinet Serves One or Two Patients

Convenience, stability, economy and flexibility are combined with space saving in the new "Space-Maker" Bedside Cabinet. Supplying the needed storage space for one or two patients, the cabinet has a single unit anodized aluminum frame designed to take years of hard use, with laminated plastic top and sides for minimum maintenance. Either Formica or Nevamar may be specified in colors and grains to match the room decor.

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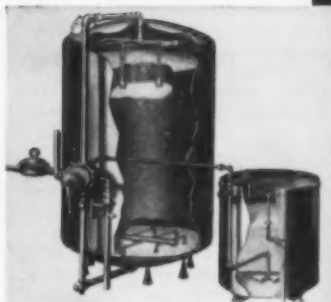
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Greater holding strength for metal or wood doors, where door holders or closers are used, is provided in the new, improved Anchor Hinge. Design features include a longer, narrower anchor plate which fits into the top of the door to tie the door style and top rail together. Two of the six screw holes are positioned into the top rail of the door for increased strength despite severe stress and strain. Both door and joint leaves have narrowed anchor plate to permit complete concealment for a neater appearance. The new hinge is available in two models: Model T 4A 3392 for use with surface-applied door holders or closers; and Model T 4A 3393 for use when door holders or closers are concealed in the top of the door. McKinney Mfg. Co., 1715 Liverpool St., Pittsburgh 33, Pa.

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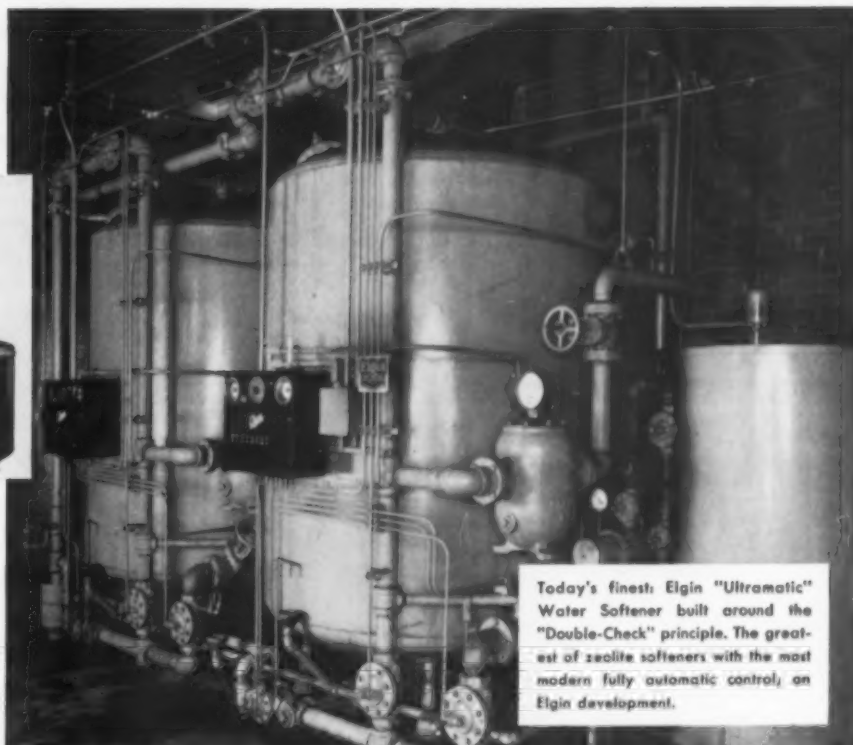
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For more details circle #503 on mailing card.

### Deluteval

Deluteval combines the progestational steroid ester Delalutin with the estrogenic steroid ester Delestrogen to provide a long-acting sterile hormone preparation formulated to help restore normal ovarian function. It is supplied in 2 cc. ampuls for intramuscular injection and is convenient to administer, assuring optimal hormonal relation in sustained-action therapy. It is indicated in dysfunctional uterine bleeding, amenorrhea and other disturbances of the menstrual cycle for non-pregnant women, and in habitual or recurrent abortion and in threatened abortion for pregnant women. E. R. Squibb & Sons, Div. of Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp., 745 Fifth Ave., New York 22.

For more details circle #504 on mailing card.

### Stenison

Stenison is developed to provide safely useful prednisone therapy. Stenison contains prednisone, the potent, anti-inflammatory steroid, and methandriol, a relatively non-virilizing anabolic steroid, and antacid ingredients which help to combat the tendency to produce peptic ulcer. Stenison is described as more safely useful wherever adrenal steroids of the hydrocortisone type are indicated. It is packaged in bottles of 30 and 100 scored oral tablets. Organon Inc., Orange, N.J.

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### Simron

Simron is a new low-dose iron for the treatment of iron deficiency anemia. A special absorption agent eliminates the need for massive doses of iron to attain therapeutic quantities in the blood. Each soft-gelatin capsule contains 10 mg. elemental iron as ferrous gluconate and a special absorption agent. They are supplied in bottles of 100. The Wm. S. Merrell Co., Cincinnati 15, Ohio.

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### Celginace and Combinace

Celginace and Combinace are two new anticonstipants combining a new bulking agent with dioctyl sodium sulfosuccinate. They are available in tablets and granules. Celginace combines Colace, which promotes proper hydration of fecal material, and the new hydrasorbent, calcium and sodium alginates, for bulk. Combinace contains Peri-Colace, a combination of Colace and Peristim, in addition to the alginates. Mead Johnson & Co., Evansville 21, Ind.

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### Deronil

Deronil is a new steroid hormone active in the treatment of various rheumatic, allergic, dermatologic and ocular diseases. It offers improved anti-inflammatory effect with much lower dosages and is supplied in an 0.75 mg. tablet in bottles of 50 and 500. Schering Corp., 96 Orange St., Bloomfield, N.J.

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### Literature and Services

• Edition 45 of the "Ellison Balanced Door" catalog is now available from the Ellison Bronze Co., Inc., Jamestown, N.Y. The catalog gives specifications and factual data and is profusely illustrated with photographs of installations.

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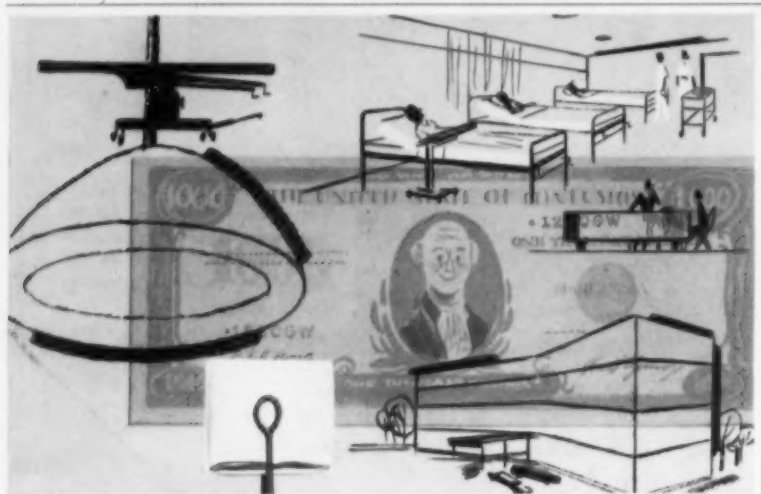
• Complete technical data on Erie Porcelain Enamel curtain wall and veneer panels are presented in a bulletin released by Erie Enameling Co., Erie, Pa.

For more details circle #510 on mailing card.

• The benefits to hospitals of unitizing microfilmed records are discussed in a four-page folder available from the Ozalid Division of General Aniline and Film Corp., 29 Corliss Lane, Johnson City, N.Y. The dry-process duplicator known as the Unitizer, the Actifilm Printer and Actifilm sheet film in card weights and sizes are described and illustrated in the brochure entitled "There's a New Way to Keep Your Medical Records Straight."

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For more details circle #512 on mailing card.

- How to obtain low cost painting best suited for lasting results for both interior and exterior applications is discussed in a 16-page brochure entitled, "Your Next Paint Job." Prepared by The Tremco Mfg. Co., 8701 Kinsman Rd., Cleveland 4, Ohio, the comprehensive brochure provides a quick reference guide for producing a satisfactory finishing job at the lowest cost.

For more details circle #513 on mailing card.

- "The Tornado Method of Furnace and Boiler Cleaning" is discussed in a four-page brochure published by the Breuer Electric Mfg. Co., 5100 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40. The result of a lengthy study of boiler cleaning problems and heat transfer loss occurring in soot-covered boiler tubes, the leaflet explains how savings can be realized in fuel bills.

For more details circle #514 on mailing card.

- Ranfac Surgical Catalog S-95, available from the Randall Faichney Corp., 299 Marginal St., Boston 28, Mass., gives descriptive information on Ranfac syringes and needles, transfusion and infusion units, thermometers, plastic tubing and other surgical supplies. Disposable units are also described and illustrated.

For more details circle #515 on mailing card.

- Quick, detailed information on new products for the modern washroom is supplied in the 1959 **Crown Washroom Cabinet Catalog** issued by Crown Zellerbach Corp., P.O. Box 3475, San Francisco, Calif. Descriptive information is supplied on Crown tissue and towel dispensers and architectural specifications and instructions for use of cabinet supports and adhesives are also included.

For more details circle #516 on mailing card.

- "Intramuscular Iron Therapy" is the title of a film released by Lakeside Laboratories, Inc., Medical Education Dept., Milwaukee 1, Wis. The picture, in color and sound, was filmed in England and the United States with leading hematologists of both countries reporting on new indications for intramuscular administration.

For more details circle #517 on mailing card.

- Full information on low cost, permanent drinking tubes which can be sterilized are given in a leaflet entitled "The Last Drinking Tubes You'll Ever Have to Buy!" Published by the Anchor Plastics Co., 36-36 Thirty-Sixth St., Long Island City 6, N.Y., the folder discusses advantages of use of the rigid, heavy gauge tubes in institutions with permanent and semi-permanent patients.

For more details circle #518 on mailing card.

- "Controlling Indoor Weather" in new or modernized buildings is discussed in a 20-page brochure published by Johnson Service Co., 507 E. Michigan St., Milwaukee 1, Wis. Presenting a 16-city report on what buildings are doing about automatic temperature control, the booklet discusses modern controls for ideal temperatures, and reduced heating and cooling costs.

For more details circle #519 on mailing card.

- The current edition of the informative booklet, "The Processing of Nursing Bottles," is now available from The Southern Cross Mfg. Corp., Chambersburg, Pa. The 1959 edition contains 22 pages of factual information presented in editorial style with time study of the flow system, arrangement of the nursery wash room and formula preparation room and data on the Formula Room Consultant Service. All information is illustrated by photographs and charts.

For more details circle #520 on mailing card.

- An Application Manual, Bulletin No. 454, pertaining to all types of resistance measurements in hospitals, is now available from the Herman H. Sticht Co., Inc., 27 Park Place, New York 7. Exact requirements of N.F.P.A. Bulletin No. 56 on "Recommended Safe Practice for Hospital Operating Rooms" are given, with information on how the tests are performed with the Model F-2 Conductivity Test Kit.

For more details circle #521 on mailing card.

- The complete line of electric water coolers manufactured by Cordley Hayes, 443 Fourth Ave., New York 16, is illustrated and described in Catalog No. 59. The 20-page book covers all Cordley models, giving capacity data, technical and roughing-in details, and showing photographs of interior construction. Hot-Tap attachments, Cordley-Rac for wall suspension and other accessories are also included.

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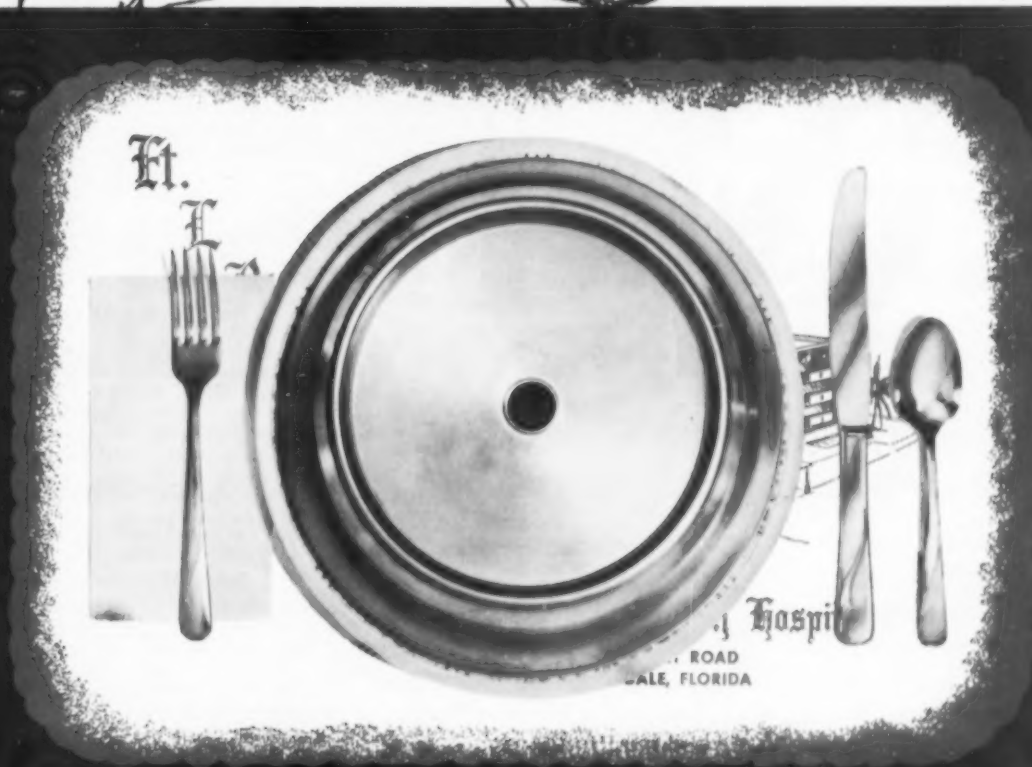
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For more details circle #523 on mailing card.

• "New Cost-Cutting Recipes" created by Campbell chefs are given in a colorfully illustrated booklet available from Campbell Soup Co., Institutional Div., Camden 1, N.J. The institutional recipes provide simplified methods of preparation of eight main dishes for tempting patients' appetites.

For more details circle #524 on mailing card.

• Typical mortuary rack and refrigerator arrangements scientifically designed and manufactured by the Market Forge Co., Everett 49, Mass. are described in a new four-page folder, R-343. Features of the mortuary rack, such as the automatic trip handle for locking carriage and tray in place and the flared design for easy cleaning, are illustrated in the comprehensive folder.

For more details circle #525 on mailing card.

• The more than 125 products available from Nuclear-Chicago Corp., 229 W. Erie St., Chicago 10 are described in a new 76-page General Catalog R. Included is information on systems for use in biomedical research, clinical medicine and nuclear education.

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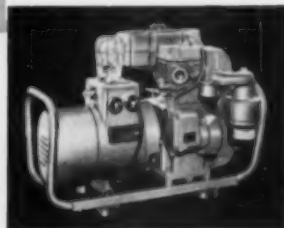
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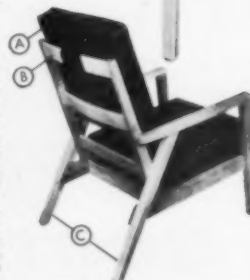
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